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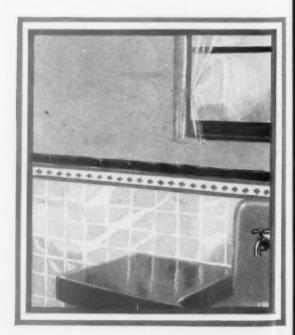
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An interesting feature of some of our modern houses is the free use that is made of architectural precedents. In this case false half timber construction has been used to decorate a cottage

THE AMERICAN HOME

Thanksgiving 1929

NCE again comes Thanksgiving time with all the hosts of things that we have to be thankful for! Opportunity first of all! Opportunity to make what we will of our lives! No matter where we live in this land of ours, there is a God-given chance for us and for our children. Free schools for them-education theirs for the taking. And in these free schools healthful conditions, health instruction, health examinations, tests for eyes, lungs, ears and teeth, food for the undernourished with, at home, an abundance of water for cleaner living and bath tubs for bathing—all for the making of better bodies and consequently better citizens.

I sometimes wonder if we are quite thankful enough for these two magic common blessings, bath tubs and plenty of water! Are we sufficiently appreciative of our chance for good clean living, no matter who we are or what our work may be? Do we realize, as we go to that work, the benefits that are ours? We have comforts and conveniences beyond the wildest flights of the imagination of those men and women who held that first Thanksgiving. We have conditions which we take as a matter of course but which would have seemed a veritable taste of Heaven to them.

E HAVE indeed gone far since that first Thanksgiving Day and farther, possibly, in our mental outlook than in our physical comforts. For by just so much as we have reached a state of greater physical health and cleanliness, by just so much more have we taken on a healthy sane point of view-a sort of mental bath as it were

Gone are most of the narrow, hidebound inhibitions and intolerance of that other day. We have broadened until we see that not only does man not live for himself alone, but that this is equally true of nations. And gradually are we sensing not only our immediate civic obligations but international brotherhood as well.

As we look about us at this time there should come a deep feeling of gratitude for the magic of the common things we have—all that science has done, electrical conveniences, good roads, sanitary plumbing, the increasing control of disease. We should be grateful for the civic consciousness spreading across the country that is bringing parks and playgrounds and beauty around the simplest little home.

ABOVE all let us be thankful for the gift of a citizenship that brings to each man and woman a chance to play whatever part he chooses in the welfare of his locality. Opportunity to serve is not bounded by the dollar mark and for this opportunity of service open to each of us—the highest and the lowest-let us give heartfelt thanks for it is this that should make us grateful.

THE EDITOR.



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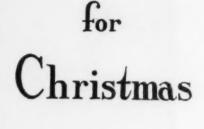
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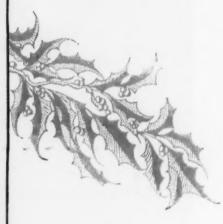
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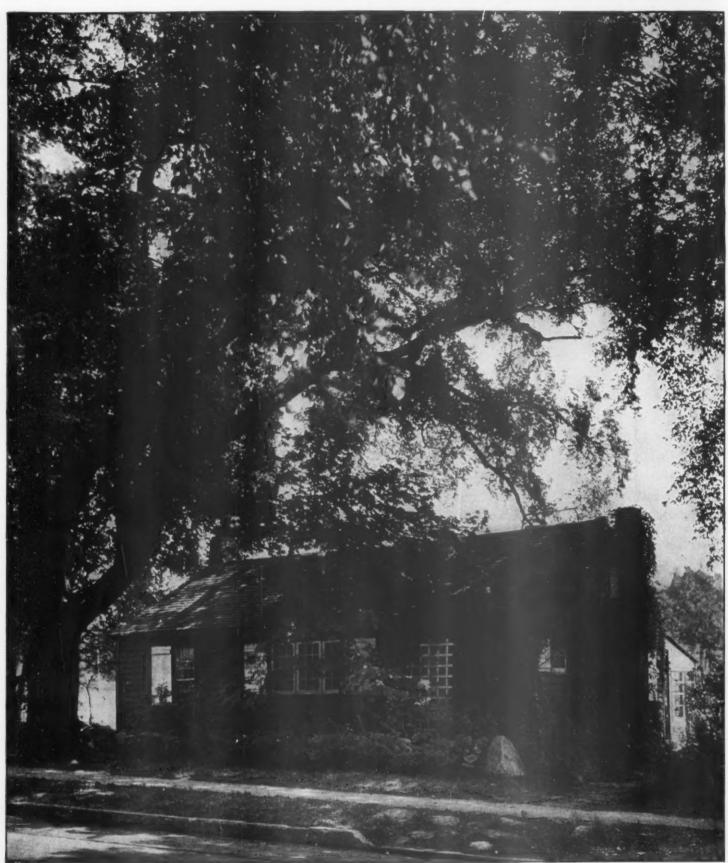
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THE SCHOOLHOUSE THAT GRADUATED INTO A HOME

Gone are the pupils from this little red schoolhouse and in their places are the family and friends of Mr. Milton Dana Morrill, a New York architect, who, while keeping to the original lines of the building, has succeeded in transforming it into a comfortable, well-equipped, and attractive home

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Finding a home in a deserted schoolhouse

How the most was made of a small house by clever planning and a simple decorative scheme

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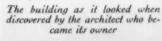
OW to plan a very small home into which the efficiency, economy, and comfort necessary in this modern day may be built is a perplexing question. Mr. Milton Dana Morrill, an architect living in New York City, discovered this when the need for more sunshine, freedom, and fresh air for two growing boys led him to look for a home in the country.

An immediate search was begun for an old house, possibly of early New England fashion, which could be remodeled. It must be small in order to reduce and simplify the housework. There must be gardens, trees, flowers, and sufficient land for freedom and a degree of seclusion. The house must be in a community easy of access, and must be in pleasant and friendly surroundings.

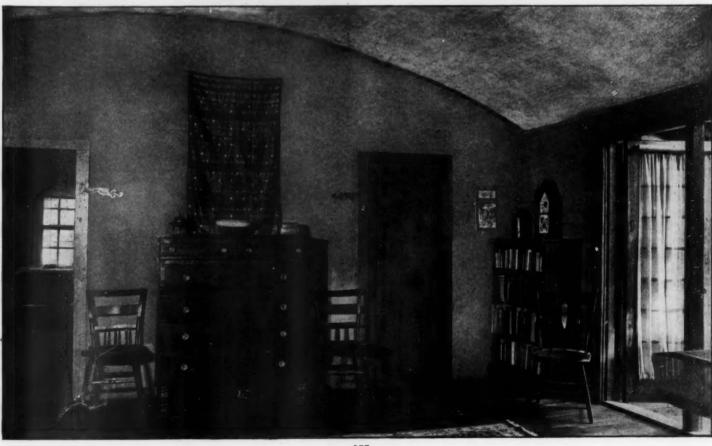
It was decided that preference would be given to an old established community of homes rather than a development where everything was comparatively new and land spaces limited to purchase by the foot. It was not an easy matter to find the house that possessed all these virtues, and the search led up hill

and down, across country and along every byway.

After a long and diligent quest, when hope was about given up, Mr. and Mrs. Morrill chanced to find an old red schoolhouse, charmingly situated on one



One corner of the living room showing the old arched ceiling of the school





of the finest residential avenues of old Norwalk, Connecticut. It was of the earliest type of one-room schoolhouse, and it was said to have been the first school built in Norwalk when that city was just a little New England village, prior to 1779.

Upon investiga-

tion it was found that the school-house was for sale and with it a fine piece of land. The search was ended, for with his architectural eye Mr. Morrill could easily visualize what might be done with this lovely old place. The building was in a fine state of preservation, but was just one room. The main body of the schoolhouse was a simple block, twenty by twenty feet. At a later date an addition, fourteen feet in length had been cleverly built on to the north end to enlarge the school and to provide for an increased attendance of pupils as the village grew.

The original big room of the building established its age by the massive handhewn timbers and huge hand-wrought nails used in its construction. The enlarged building twenty by thirty-four feet, was so old that it had no definite architectural style. Mr. Morrill, however, retained its simple lines and all of the points of interest belonging to the early times. For that long narrow red schoolhouse of time-honored traditions

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The floor plan above shows how each inch of space was made to count in giving a compact convenient home

Casement windows took

the place of the narrow openings in the original

building, bringing both

quaintness and sunlight to the living room

The entrance to the house is in the south side through the primitive battened door beside the ivy-covered kitchen chimney was devised one of the most ingenious small house plans possible to conceive.

In the plan, every inch of space was made to count. Because of the sturdy and enduring structural qualities of the building, no reinforcement was required. The foundation was strengthened, and excavation was made for a cellar. The walls were filled with concrete, and a floor of the same material was laid.

An extension was then built on the east side of the schoolhouse to provide a garage and a porch. The old roof line was not disturbed, but was carried down over the addition, thus retaining the early quaintness with all suggestion of newness obviated. The front of the house really faces on the garden side where the glass-enclosed porch was added. This is a valuable feature of this most delightful little house plan.

In order to make the most of the very limited space, a central living room sixteen by twenty feet was first assigned a place in the main floor plan. The remaining spaces at either end were then ingeniously divided. That on the north side of the living room provides two very convenient bedrooms, each having two closets and two windows, providing excellent ventilation.

The floor space on the south was made to serve many purposes—a marvel in space utilization. The main entrance is there, and a vestibule not wider than the primitive battened (continued on page 180).

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The small bookroom and its fittings

Spaces devoted to books pay large dividends in contentment

HAROLD D. EBERLEIN

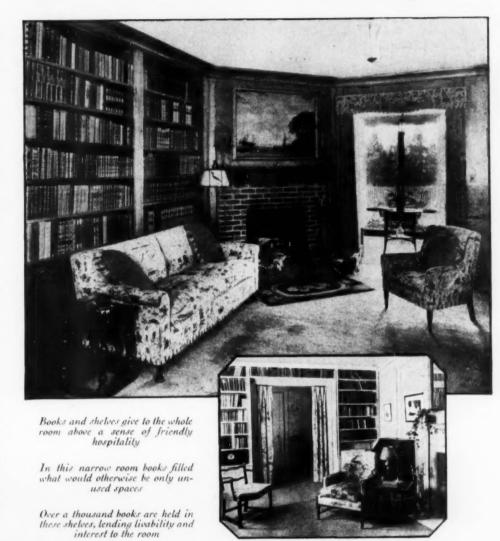
Photographs by Mattie Edwards Hewitt

HE small bookroom has a pervading atmosphere of silent companionship and abiding peace altogether peculiar to itself. No other room has it. No other room can have it. The books that fill its shelves all have the air of being close personal friends, and the very limitations of area insure the preservation of an intimacy that could not exist at all in a larger place.

The volumes in the small bookroom bear the unmistakable evidence not only of careful choice but also of frequent and intelligent, not to say affectionate, use; it is plain to be seen they are a goodly company of no casual assemblage. Instinctively you feel on entering such a retreat that you have come into a place well worth while and that the possessors are not limited for topics of talk-it could scarcely be claled conversation -to golf scores, the latest radio communications, or the past week's doings at the bridge table. In its unassuming, straightforward simplicity, the room seems to exhale a subtle influence of reflection and constructivet hought. Without being heavy, it carries conviction by its substantiality and genuineness.

The larger domestic library with its

more ambitious equipment and contents too often is but a repository of wellprinted and well-bound books whose presence the owner appraises as a sort of patent of respectability, books whose covers are rarely or never opened except to exhibit the fine points of rare or superlative editions, books that are never really used and hence can be nothing more than speaking acquaintances without affording one jot of companionship. They are likely to be bought almost "by the yard," their appointed places are duly measured off for them, and they never expand and overflow so that the orderly room where they are kept prisoners has none of that spontaneous, organic quality of mingled growth and lively personality.





We have traced the subtle, essential qualities that we look for in the small bookroom. We might call the sum total of them the room's psychology. Now, it is in order to note the different factors that go toward its making. On the right combination of these depends the success of the room.

In the first place, books are the best furnishing in the world. They are rich in individuality, and their backs afford no end of variety in both color and pattern, so that their merely decorative value is an important element in the composition. The room exists for the books—sometimes people seem to forget this—and they are thus very properly the dominant element in furnishing as well as incidentally the chief decoration.

It is always a mistake to try to dragoon the books into a meticulously disciplined array as though they were eternally on parade and were never really handled and used. Precise rows of books belong in the library for show, the frigid sort of place already alluded to. Let the books be informally at ease on the shelves; if some of them tilt a little, this way or that, or if some of them are pushed back a trifle farther than others, remember this natural irregularity of shelves that

bear books for use insures a diverting play of light and shadow and contributes a varied textural quality. It may appear a bit sentimental or finicky to insist on so seemingly small a matter as books shelved "at ease" but, in reality, this detail of arrangement—or, perhaps, it might be better to call it disarrangement—has a great deal to do with the aspect and atmosphere of the room, with the room's "humanity." A "smug" small bookroom would be positively depressing. It would be as unnatural as a small child with its face perpetually clean, its hair invariably well brushed, and its clothes in faultless order.

Next, we must remember that the small bookroom is necessarily more of a "built-in" room than a movably furnished room. There are, to begin with, the bookshelves which it is generally more satisfactory to have built into their place than movable. The room will hold more books, and there is much less trouble about cleaning. The shelves can be either adjustable or fixed. The adjustable shelves are convenient for placing according to the exact heights of the books, but, as the sizes are more or less standardized, it is very easy to space fixed shelves the proper distances apart. Nine

inches depth will usually be quite sufficient except for very large books. In having the bookcases built, some of them at least should have cupboards in the lower part to hold large books of odd sizes, magazines, papers, wrapping paper, string, and the dozen and one other things that are not sightly to have lying about, but which one wishes to have handy. While the carpentry work is going on it is often just as well to have a fireside settle constructed, and such things as window seats. As a rule, the more fully a small bookroom is equipped with built-in furniture the easier it is to keep clean and in order.

Under the circumstances, it is desirable to have no more movable furniture than is actually requisite for comfort and convenience—easy chairs, a good broad table for writing materials and books in use, or else an ample writing desk, a small table or two for incidental purposes, and a sofa or lounge, unless there is a built-in settle beside the fireplace or a long, cushioned window seat that may

serve in lieu of a lounge.

It is a curious thing that a great many people have a habit of placing writing tables, secretaries, and pianos either where there is not (continued on page 166)



All the bright colors of curtains, rugs, and upholstery are carried up into these attractive bookshelves by the variegated bindings of the books that make this wall as gaily decorative as though hung with rich tapestry



Two famous decorators, Diane Tate and Marian Hall, show in this livable room what color can do. The walls and woodwork are Colonial yellow. The chintz draperies have a deep yellow ground with vari-colored flowers. The fireplace chair is covered in a patchwork quilt fabric which picks up the lones of the yellow and red hooked rugs scattered over the taupe rug

New color schemes for old

Subtle and versatile, color is also the one fine decorative aid within the reach of every home maker

JACQUELINE VERNEUIL

OT all of us can collect Ming vases and rare old tapestries or buy the oil paintings we admire, but each one of us has within our reach the secret of all beauty—color. No room, however well furnished, can be beautiful and harmonious without color. Used adroitly, color is the wand of magic, at whose transforming touch shabbiness, gloom, and discord disappear.

Are you tired of the same old things, the same old rooms, with no immediate prospect of discarding them for new? You need new colors about you. The most hopeless, the most tiresome room cannot withstand the revivifying effects of color. Cheer up—with color!

In writing of color, however, I am not suggesting that we undergo another great color wave such as swept our country a year or so ago, when the craze for color ran to such extremes that even the handles of the can opener and broom had to match the kitchen linoleum. In the use of color, as in all of the fine arts, the greater the art, the less evident the effort, and enthusiasm must be tempered with skill and a definite plan as to what each color scheme must accomplish for each room.

Color expresses to a rather frightening degree our thoughts, tastes, and habits. Color is merry, amusing, or optimistic. Color is austere, aloof, or frigid. Color is vigorous, young, bold, and audacious. Color is restful, maturely serene, peaceful—or merely tired and middle-aged. It can be exciting, exotic, and stimulating, or, if poorly used, simply irritating. All this and more is color. All this and more, color can and does express. And, I am sure, if more of us thought of color in this way that we would handle it more intelligently and, therefore, confidently, and realize its value in expressing as

nothing else can, not only our own personality but that of our homes. Instead, we are a bit afraid of its running wild with us and handle it cautiously and even timidly and thereby deprive our homes and ourselves of much gayety, cheer, and charm.

We have all been told again and again that red, orange, gold, and yellow are warm colors and that green, blue, and gray are cold. Why not think of them instead as merry, amusing, vigorous, bold, audacious, stimulating, restful, serene, demure, or gay? Surely considering them this way is ever so much more friendly and expresses exactly their moods and uses. Let's use these magic colors to transform every nook and cranny in our homes, making them do whatever we determine they should do in return for the space they take and their use. We'll take some merry, happy colors and transform those dull and drab "same old (continued on page 170)

The American Home furnishes a house

Part II-The dining room

ELIZABETH H. RUSSELL

Sketches by Lurelle Guild

HE living room in the small brick house which The American Home is furnishing room by room was fully described in the October issue. This month we shall tell you of the furnishings of the dining room, which, as a glance at the floor plan of the house will show you, opens directly from the living room. The room is fourteen feet wide, by fifteen feet long, and has a charming, simple dignity of its

On the left hand wall, as you look at the key plan of this room, is the door from the living room, also a door opening on to the porch at the rear of the house, making it convenient of access for serving meals in the summer. The features of the rear wall of the room are the china cabinets in each corner. These particular cabinets were designed for the room by the architect. They cost, in the vicinity of New York, approximately \$106.00 each to build and may be omitted if desired. However, they add a great deal to the beauty of the room, and are so convenient to use that either these, or some well-designed ready-made ones, should be incorporated in the plan. There is a shelf behind each horizontal molding in the doors, and when the gay china and glass are arranged behind the panes the cabinets form an interesting and decorative effect.

The floor, like that of the living room, is made of oak planks, two and a quarter

and then given two coats of wax, rubbed down.

The effect of a dado is given to the room by applying stretched canvas to the walls between the baseboard and the chair-rail moldings, which, when painted.

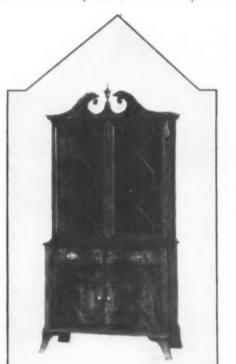
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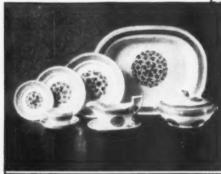
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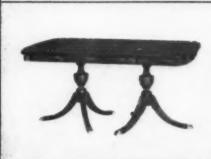
additional cost. The woodwork of the room is given three coats of ivory paint, which harmonizes with the pale yellows

and buffs of the wall paper. With this background of dark floor and warm cream woodwork, we have chosen a scenic wall paper, which has small units of design as befits a small room. The tones of the paper are deep cream, tan, taupe, gray, and ivory. The foliage and small scenic groups of old castle, bridge, figures, and trees are not sharply defined, but blend softly together, with the result that the paper keeps its place on the walls, and is neither "busy" nor aggressive—a most desirable attribute in a wall covering. It also forms an excellent background for the dark mahogany furniture, the colorful curtains, and the bright china and glass in the cabinets.

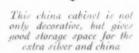
The curtains are of rayon marquisette, in soft, clear, buttercup-yellow, with a silky golden thread woven in. This ma-







This pedestal table, a very good reproduction of an antique, may be enlarged to fit the needs of the family



The imported dinner set is pay and cheerful and makes an attractive table

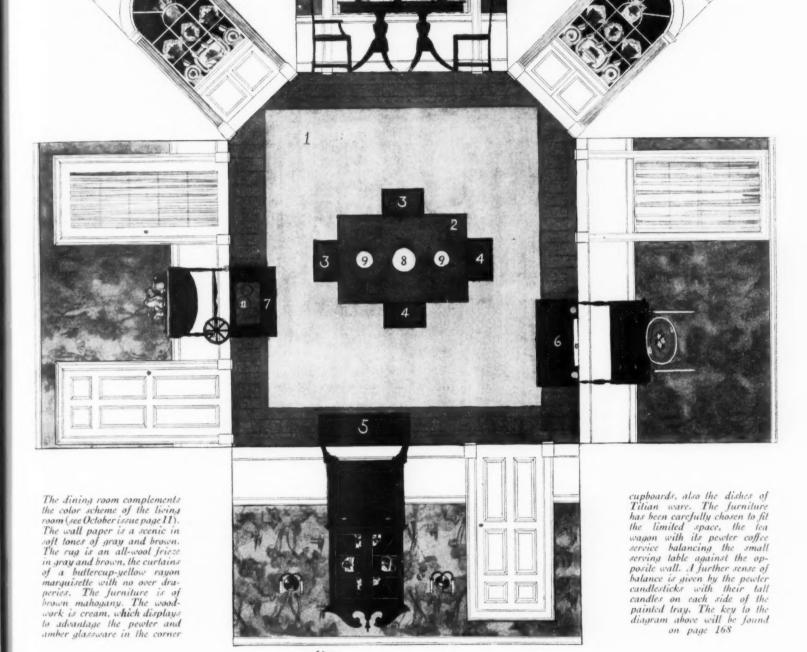
The dining room chairs are of excellent design. Their scale are covered with dark blue horsehair fabric







Natural linen, embroidered in green, forms an artistic background for a colorful dessert service



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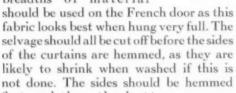


Plans and specifications of this house designed for us by Jonas Pendlebury may be had for \$50. Three 2-cent stamps will bring full description of the furnishings of this room, names of stores, and samples of the curtains and wall paper



terial is so cheerful that even on a dark day it appears to bring the sunshine into the room. No overdraperies are used with it; it is just hung straight and very full on half-inch brass curtain rods. The

three-inch heading (in which one inch should be allowed for the rod) and the four-inch hem at the bottom should both be made double or with extra material folded in to take care of possible shrinkage in laundering or dry cleaning. It is also well to run weighted shot in the hems at the bottom to make the curtains hang well. Two breadths of material



first, and then the bottoms stitched over them.

The rug for this dining room is an all-wool, frieze Wilton, made in an eleven-foot-three-inch by twelve-foot size, which allows approximately one and a half feet of the floor to show all around. It has a neutral background, with an all-over, modern design of flowers and leaves, since a figured rug is best for a dining room. Wear and tear will not show on the figured rug as they would on a plain one. The tone of the rug is agreeable and harmonizes well with the wall

paper and furniture.

The furniture is solid mahogany in a handsome design and fine workmanship, which will make the set a satisfactory possession for a lifetime. The oblong table has a double-pedestal base, in the Sheraton manner, and, with its two extra leaves, may be extended from five feet four inches to eight feet. The side and armchairs have fine ladder-backs, with straight, Chippendale legs, and are upholstered in dark blue horsehair, with a self-toned figure of small diamonds. This fabric is in keeping with the style of the furniture and will wear indefinitely.

The china cabinet will take care of extra silver and fine china and adds much to the harmonious ensemble of the room. The serving table, which stands by the service door, has two deep drawers for the everyday silver, napkins, doilies, etc., and is an indispensable piece of furniture. A longer, more elaborate sideboard may be bought to match the set, if you prefer.

This set of dining room furniture is an excellent value for a new household, as it is conservative enough to please the most fastidious, and its sound construction and finish guarantee satisfactory service for years.

A tea wagon stands between the doors to the porch and living room, where it

may be wheeled conveniently out for afternoon tea in summer or into the living room when the days are colder. It has a tray top with handles on each end. This tea wagon is one of those delightful unfinished pieces that solve so many problems for new housekeepers nowadays, since they may be finished at home in any manner the owner wishes. They

may also be ordered from the shop which supplies them, finished in any way you desire, at small additional cost. The tea wagon in this room may have a brown mahogany stain, to match the furniture, or if you prefer something



A painted tin tray is useful in

many ways, as well as provid-ing a bright spot of color in the

The carpet has an interlacing modern de-sign in taupe on a neutral background

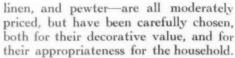
gayer, an apple-green lacquer, to repeat the color of the tin tray on the serving table, may be used with good effect. All these finishes, as you know, are heat- and water-proof.

The painted tin tray, just mentioned,

is in bright apple-green, with a decoration of big roses in soft pinks and cream-yellows, surrounded with green leaves and sprays of small blue flowers.

The accessories of the room-the china, glass,

A serving table is indispensable and the deep drawers are con-venient for holding the linen and silver in daily use



The china is a beautiful, deep cream Titian ware, made in England and open stock, so you may always add to, or replace any piece in, your set. The decorations are bands of clear yellow with figures in rich green, with touches of black and dots of rose. The effect of these dishes on the dark table is charming and one of which any hostess might be proud.

The amber glass is also open stock, so you may acquire many more pieces than are shown in our illustrations. The tone of the bright amber is delightful with the china, and a table set with the glasses and finger bowls is unusually colorful

and satisfactory.

The photographs show the luncheon set chosen to use with these dishes and glass. It is deep cream linen of fine quality, with Italian hems and cross-bar and cut-work embroidery in rich green and buttercup-yellow, which harmonizes well with the china and glass. The set comprises a runner, six doilies, and six embroidered napkins.

The fruit knives, forks, and spoons are colorful adjuncts to an informal dessert service, as the handles are made of a beautiful jade-green composition

and the blades of bright, washedwith-gold metal. The finger bowls stand on five and a half inch raffia mats, in soft, brilliant colors, woven in circles of blue, rose, jade-green, yellow, orange, and brown, etc., each one being different. They scarcely show in the illustrations, but are very attractive and novel, and add an interesting touch of color to the table.

The pewter shown in this dining room is all of pleasing design, reproduced from fine old models, and since lead is left out of the best modern pewter, it has a beautiful soft brilliance

and will wear for a lifetime. The large bowl is suitable for fruit, or for salad, and, when you use it for the latter, there are a serving fork and spoon to go with it, made of olivewood, with pewter handles. The tall candlesticks are a good

> Georgian design, with finely designed baluster shafts and round bases. The three-piece coffee service on the tea wagon, and the low candlesticks on the serving table are graceful and restrained in design and will be charming possessions whose usefulness does not diminish for years.

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The wall paper provides vistas of romantic Old World rural scenes through the

openings in its grace-ful trees



An almosphere of inviting hospitality is given to this fireplactes room by making a desk the center of interest with comfortable chairs placed close by to make a well-balanced group (Courtesy of Frederick Loeser & Co.)

Below is a homelike interior made cozy and cheerful by the arrangement of the furniture (Courtesy of John Wanamaker)

If you have no fireplace

Decorating is not a difficult problem if the room and its uses are carefully studied

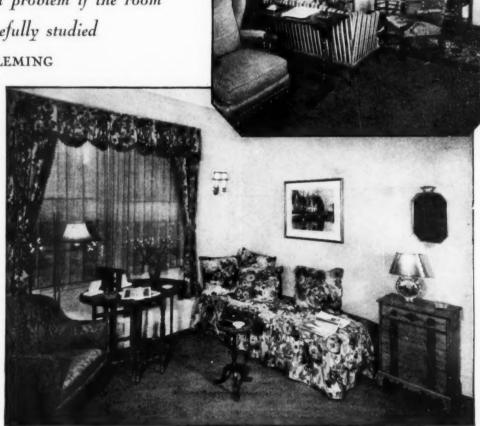
MARGARET FLEMING

ANTA CLAUS was not the only person who was inconvenienced when the radiator ousted the fire-place. Every home maker and every decorator who is planning to make a steam-heated room look livable and cozy has had her problem complicated by the absence of a hearth that she can use as a focal point in placing her furniture

This question, however, is not as difficult as it seems if we will but approach the solution in a business-like way, making up our minds as to what we want and planning ahead, instead of taking a haphazard lot of furniture and moving it around, like pieces of glass in a kaleidoscope, until by chance we hit the right combination.

Every room should have one or more centers of interest—one or more groups of furniture and accessories which have a common reason for existence.

Each group should be necessary for some given occupation, such, for instance, as reading, gossiping, (continued on page 184)



A business girl's room suited to the small budget and holding cheer and warmth even though it has no fireplace (Courlesy of John Wanamaker)

The half-timbered cottages of Normandy

Fifth in the series prepared for us in Europe by Mr. Windom, our architectural explorer

PAUL WINDOM

F THE several types of French regional architecture, that of Normandy is probably the most frequently chosen as inspiration for the design of the American house. This may be due in small measure to the fact that this province of France is one especially familiar to Americans, lying, as it does, between Paris and their principal ports of disembarkation. But probably the chief reason is that the old manor houses and cottages of Normandy have been written of, sketched, and photographed by enthusiastic travelers for many years and have established for themselves a reputation for simple beauty and picturesque character.

However, if it is true that the Norman cottage is often chosen as a basis of design for the modern house in the United States, it is equally true that in many cases the finished adaptation retains little, if any, of the characteristics which make for the charm of the original. This, I believe, is usually because of an entirely superficial understanding

of the elements of Norman building together with the use of the generally prevalent cheap forms of material and construction, as well as the too frequent attempts to create from these a mellow, picturesque effect that only years can bring to sincere and sturdy construction.

The Normans emerged from the Hundred Years' War to find the English driven from their shores but their country a devastated region, with most of their castles, churches, and farmhouses pillaged and in ruins. Encouraged by the advantageous terms of lease offered them by the landowners, nobles, and clergy at this time, the peasants and farmers returned gradually to the fertile fields of Normandy and built there the first of those pleasing structures which were so definitely to characterize the region. In many cases it was stipulated that at the termination of a lease the tenant might either remove his buildings or be reimbursed to the value of them,

judged, no doubt, rather conservatively by the landowner. And so it was that a great number of the smaller houses were constructed on the "take-down" principle, for which the system of "halftimbered" construction was evolved and perfected.

As with other distinctive types of houses in Europe, the architectural individuality of the Norman work is explained by the fact that the builders had to depend solely on the resources of their own locality for building materials.

The Norman peasant of the sixteenth century turned logically to his forests for lumber, to his ruined castles for what little hewn stone he could use and transport, and to his fields for rubble and straw. From these homely materials he built his house, very much as follows: First he dug a shallow rectangular trench to the size desired, and laid his rough foundation of stone. His timbers, cut and trimmed to approximate lengths were laid in their proper positions on the ground along (continued on page 174)



One difference between the French and English style of half-timbering seems to be that the French tried to use theirs decoratively at the same time that they employed it for structural purposes. The English on the other hand rarely, particularly in the early work, sought to make a pattern of the half-timbering. Our modern tendency is to use half-timbering decoratively, but not structurally







A HALF-TIMBERED HOUSE IN NORMAN STYLE

Designed by PAUL WINDOM, Architect

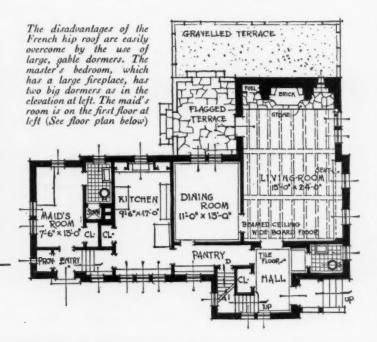
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We usually connect half-timbering with the early English style of architecture, but it is well to remember that the Normans conquered England in 1066 and for many years regarded it as England did her American colonies. In other words, half-timbering is native to Normandy as well as England. The Norman houses have typically French details such as dormers breaking right up out of the walls



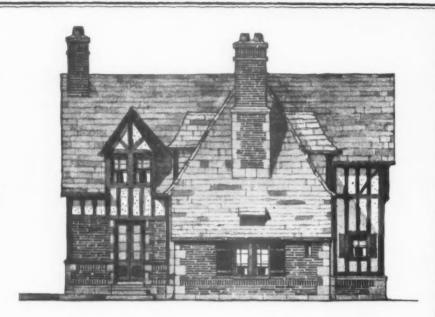


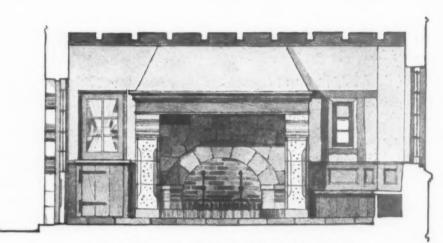
The elevation at the top of the page shows the front door at the right, the kitchen entry at the left. The elevation just above shows the front door at the left. The four windows of the living room are shown in this elevation



At the right is the elevation showing the service wing of the house. The flagged terrace off the living room and two windows in the master's bedroom are at the left. The maid's room at the end of the service wing, is in the middle. The window in the front stairway is at the right. Notice in this and the other elevation Mr. Windom's skilful handling of the chimneys

Below is one detail of the big living room shown in the first floor plan on the previous page. The living room is planned to have a beamed ceiling and a wide board floor. The flooring of the fireplace end, below, is of stone. The chimney facing is also stone, the hearth is brick. At the left is a fuel cupboard, at the right a little window seal. Mr. Windom's designs are based on a careful sludy of European precedents. In a trip of more than a year abroad for The American Home, during which he visited England, France, Spain, Italy, and Sweden, he was able to devote a period of lengthy research to the architecture of each country. Each of his designs was made "on the spot"





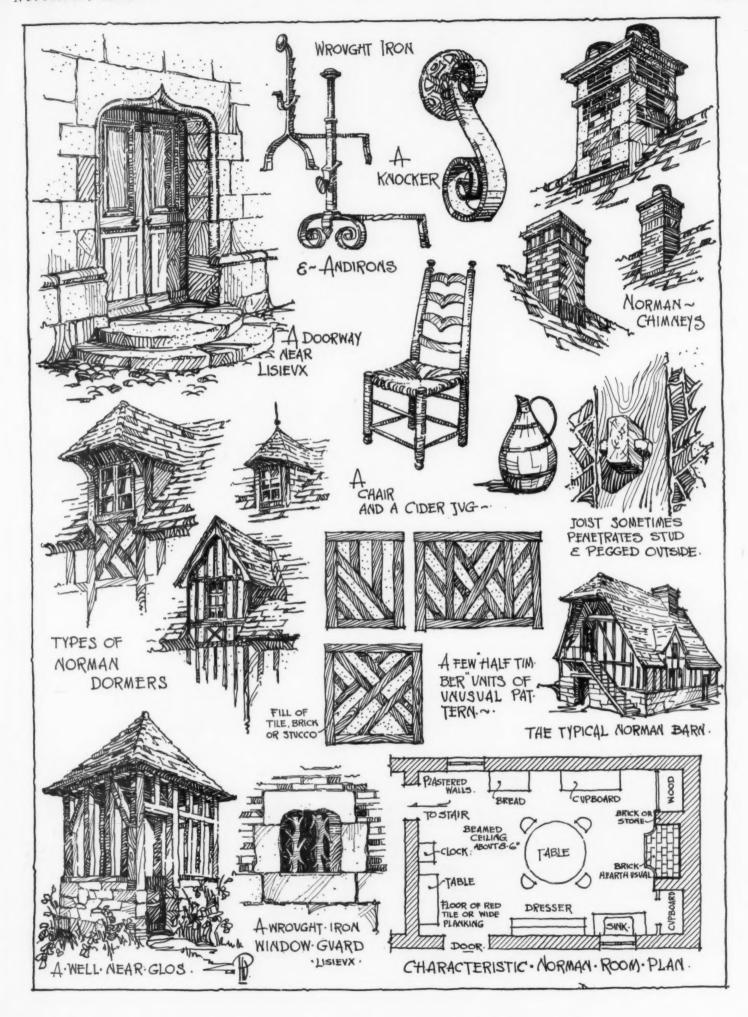
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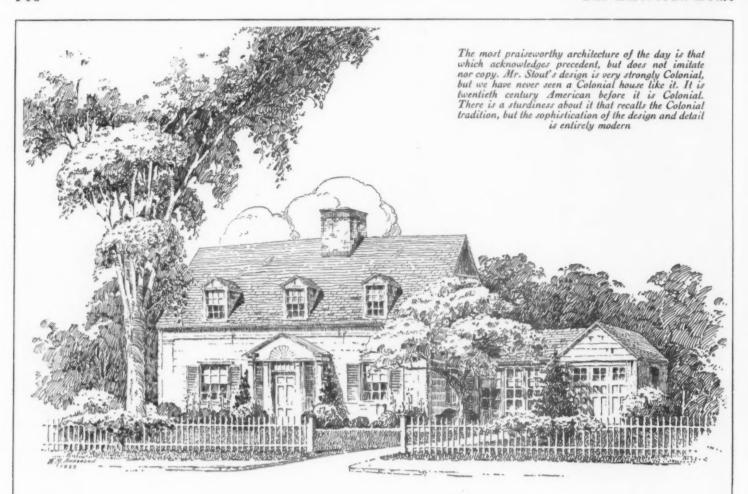




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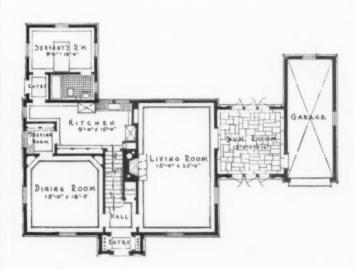
The elevation at left shows the living room gable at the left end, and over it the dormers of the master's bedroom. The winddows of the dining room are in the center, the kitchen and maid's room to the right. The cellar plan, above, is simple and workable

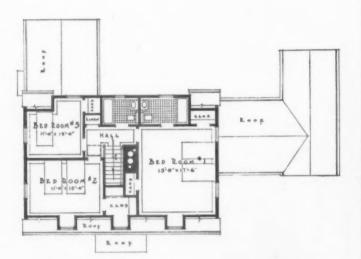




A LIVABLE SMALL HOUSE OF CHARM

Especially designed for The American Home by PENROSE V. STOUT





The second floor has three bedrooms and two baths. The master's bedroom has a connecting bath and two large closels. All the rooms on this floor get cross ventilation. Notice the particularly large closet in bedroom number two, lighted by a dormer window. The cubage of this house is estimated by the architect at 32,000, and at fifty cents a cubic foot it would cost approximately \$16,000

The division and arrangement of the first floor is particularly good. The living room is long and well proportioned. It is well lighted and connects with an interesting, stone-flagged sun room. The garage is easy of access. The kitchen is excellently placed. There are two windows over the sink and the kitchen units are centr lized. A pantry, an increasingly popular feature, leads to the dining room. The servant's room and bath are in an attached ell



Comfortable and hospitable is this living room that finds in the small baby grand piano the final touch of beauty

The decorative value of music

Fitting the piano, the radio, or the phonograph into the general artistic scheme of the room

FLORENCE BROBECK

NE of the seemingly unanswerable problems for many of us is making the family living room into a compromise between a somewhat formal place in which to receive guests and a utilitarian room with the comforts demanded by a strenuous family. Where shall we place the precious and ever increasing number of books? How can we account for enough chairs for the tired man of the house, the children, and the equally tired mother of the household? What shall we do with the phonograph on which son listens to the latest saxophone records? Where can we place the radio so that it may be heard and not necessarily be seen? And where, oh where, can we put the piano to have it ready for a music lesson, an hour of old songs, or an afternoon's music for a tea party?

The problem is not so perplexing as it seems, even when house space is limited. Half the difficulty is banished because modern musical instruments are attractive in design and finish. The other half of the problem can be worked out with a measuring stick, a bit of ingenuity, and half an ounce of daring. Because it has been customary to stand the old upright against the living room wall does not necessarily mean that the new one must stand in the same spot to the destruction of comfort and peace in the room. Perhaps the sofa belongs along that wall, the piano at right angles to it, keyboard toward the window, and the piano's back neatly disguised under grandmother's Paisley shawl or a Persian rug, trailing its graceful beauty from the piano top to the floor. Against this decorative screen a little smoking table could stand close to the sofa. In this manner, the piano has a better chance for light and for an even temperature away from the outside wall, and another corner space is created in the room.

Any piano, upright or grand, at once dominates a small room to the exclusion of all other pieces or groups of furniture, no matter how interesting they may be. This domination need not always be considered a handicap. Let the piano, rather, set the pace for the small room. It becomes then unmistakably a musical living room.

Keep the piano itself, in such a room, free of scarves and covers and also free of vases, bowls, or ornaments. These often set up vibrations and cause strange sounds for which (continued on page 208)

A choice of lovely linens

Damasks for all occasions may be had to suit every taste and every purse

N THE desk of the hostess in the linen department of one of the great metropolitan stores lay the selection she had just made for the trousseau of a bride in a small far-

away city.

"Her letter says that she has only one hundred dollars to spend on her table linen, so I chose the old ivory dinner cloth in preference to one of the pastel colors," said this specialist who advises so many women how to select their table appointments tastefully and appropriately. "This is more practical at the beginning," she continued, "for it can be used oftener than a conspicuous shade at the little dinners she wants to give. But I have this lovely peach damask in mind, too, if she wants to spend one of her wedding checks for a third fine dinner cloth. That pile you see on the desk is only the nucleus of her outfit, but it contains everything that she really needs.'

The choice for this particular bride—a

ELIZABETH HALLAM BOHN

2 fine tablecloths—2 x 2½ yards. One old ivory and the other white

2 dozen napkins to match the cloth. One set 22 inches square; one set oblong, 18 x 27 inches
 4 smaller cloths for ordinary use, 2 x 2 yards.

One of these was in color

4 dozen napkins—20 inches square 5 lunch cloths—smaller and less expensive. Can be used also for the breakfast alcove and meals on the porch

3 sets of luncheon napkins, 14 inches square.
One set contained 12 napkins, the other two
sets contained 8 napkins each

2 luncheon sets of doilies and runners for either family use or entertaining

6 tray cloths for afternoon tea

2 dozen tea napkins, 14 x 14 inches

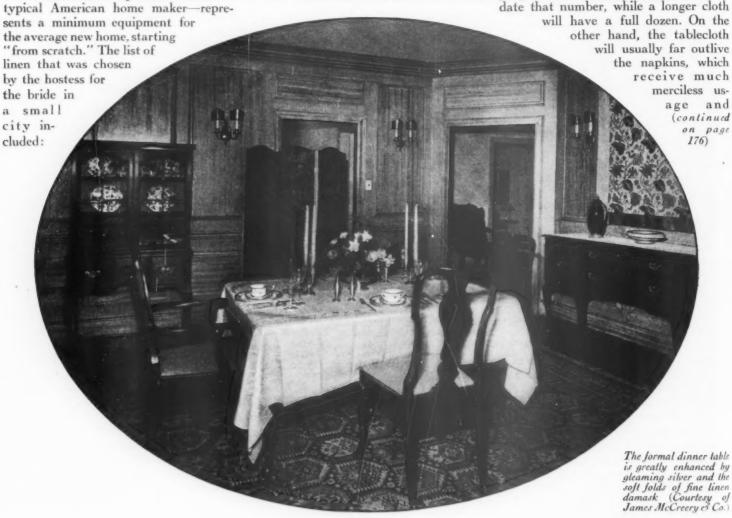
1 felt table pad

No really arbitrary list can ever be made for the linen needed in the well-run home. Too much depends on the individual family itself—its size, the scale of living and entertaining, the problem of laundry, and personal preferences. In the

list just given, for example, provision is made for serving afternoon tea daily. The member of a bridge club, on the other hand, would probably prefer to include a few of the charming bridge sets of damask or Italian linen, with four small napkins to each set, for the serving of luncheon or tea at the tables.

The good manager always tries to have two tablecloths of finer grade always in readiness against the unexpected guest, and these should be long enough so that they will drape gracefully almost to the floor when all the extension leaves are in the table. Damask can still be bought by the yard if one asks for it, but the newer sets are usually in complete units, with the border on four sides. They range in length from about one and a half square yards up to two by four yards.

Many of the new tablecloths have their matching napkins in ratio to their length. Eight napkins logically accompany the cloth which will only accommodate that number, while a longer cloth



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FINE LINENS AND LACES FOR DINING TABLES





To protect such a homelike place as this its owner should know all the legal points governing mortgages and other contracts (Photograph by Tebbs & Knell)

The incumbrance on the house

The mortgage, once a disgrace, becomes respectable and is now a logical way to finance purchase of property

OST of our ideas about mortgages are colored by melodrama, and particularly by the melodrama of the '90's. The plays appeared under many names, but the story was always cut from the same pattern. The black-mustachioed villain had, by devious means, obtained a mortgage on the widow's homestead and threatened to foreclose unless the beautiful daughter would promise to wed him. In the nick of time, the long lost son appeared, foiled the villain's dastardly plan, and paid off the mortgage.

It was exciting entertainment, but a poor lesson in finance. Most mortgagors are not destitute widows, and few mortgagees are black-mustachioed villains. The fact that your home is, or may be, mortgaged is not a dark disgrace to be hidden in the closet as a family skeleton. Most frequently, it is the logical and economical way of financing the purchase of a home.

ALBERT W. FRIBOURG
Member of New York Bar

No lawyer can talk of mortgages (or of most other subjects, for that matter) without starting back in ancient England. For there the law of mortgages became so important that an entirely new set of courts was created to administer it.

Or RIGINALLY a mortgage was a conveyance of land, given to secure the payment of a debt. The lender got the title of the land as security for the money he advanced. If the debt was paid at the agreed time, he reconveyed to the borrower, and the transaction was completed. But, if the debt was not paid when it matured, the mortgagee got the land, and the mortgagor was out in the cold. He lost all his right, title, and interest in and to the property. Frequently mortgages were given on valuable lands to secure small debts. If the debtor could

not raise the sum he owed on the very day it was due, his valuable land went to satisfy the trivial debt.

The courts of law were powerless to prevent such a forfeiture. Only the intervention of the king could save the debtor's land. And occasionally the king did intervene to help a favorite noble. More frequently, however, the king's chancellor, who was the keeper of the king's conscience, intervened in the name of the king, and in effect said to the mortgagee: "The mortgagor has defaulted, so you can keep the property, but if within six months the mortgagor is able to pay the debt, then you must accept his payment and reconvey the land to him."

The time came when the chancellor was intervening in almost every mortgage foreclosure. The number of the cases grew so that he held court regularly to hear them and this court was known as the court of chancery or equity. (Continued on page 164)

Transforming our radiators

Attractive enclosures give this equipment decorative value in the furnishing of modern homes

MARJORIE REID RODES

N WORKING out the arrangement of our rooms, how many times have we been balked by the radiator? That awkward piece of interior furnishing had a way of taking up the very best wall spaces, or it would rear its ungainly pipes beneath the fresh flowered chintz of our curtains and cover them with grime. There have been moments during the summer months when we have played with the idea of throwing the thing out of the living room altogether, telling ourselves that heat would drift in from hall and dining room. But with the first taste of cold weather we have shivered and resigned ourselves to the inevitable. The radiator must stay.

To-day there are radiator shields and enclosures which really add to the beauty

of our rooms. Some of them are made of wood, but more are of the finest furniture steel which may be finished in the delicate tints of walls or painted woodwork, or in reproduction of the grains and rich colorings of walnut, oak, pine, or any wood finish that we have chosen for trim or paneling or for furniture in the room.

E very home owner who has investigated the matter has found that radiators may be attractively covered to harmonize with any interior, and that the cost is surprisingly low. Unfortunately, the prospective purchaser is likely to content himself with the appearance and price and overlook the difference in heating efficiency of various coverings.

There are a few general rules regarding construction of enclosures to allow the fullest use of heating surfaces of the radiator, which it is well to keep in mind. Even where the radiator is recessed in the wall of the house and needs only an ornamental grille it is important that it be made correctly. Re-

liable manufacturers have naturally made a thorough study of the efficiency aspects of their products, but even they have certain types better adapted than others for rooms where there is no heat

To throw heat into the room, there

must be liberal space, preferably three to four inches, for intake of the air at the base and outlet of the air at the top. Radiator surface which is below the intake or above the outlet is lost, for its heat becomes bottled up in the enclosure. A perforated top through which the heat can rise directly, makes a covering which takes nothing from the efficiency of the bare radiator but it has disadvantages. The upper surface is obviously useless as shelf or window seat, and if placed beneath a window it allows the wall and curtains to become soiled. A more satisfactory enclosure on the whole, is one with the opening just below the top, with the rear surface curved to throw

The carved wood grille adds a distinctive decorative touch to the entire room, at the same time effectively concealing the radiator

the heat forward. This construction detracts only ten per cent from the efficiency of the radiator, no more loss than is incurred with a top shield and no enclosure. But one must resist the temptation to place the cover tight against the top of the radiator, for inadequate

space here will result in loss of twenty per cent or more of heating efficiency. An enclosure such as is frequently seen, with a center grille and no draft at base and top may be as much as thirty per cent to forty per cent inefficient.

Where radiator recesses have been built in the house, the front opening may, of course, be covered with a wood grille, but it is more usual to inset one of the metal grilles which will be supplied in any size by some of the leading manufacturers. Cane and bar and rod designs are standard. Elaborate period grilles to harmonize with room decoration will be made from architects' drawings. One firm specializes in beautiful grilles of cast iron, brass, or bronze, the workmanship so fine that they seem to have been

created as works of art rather than for utility.

The tendency is more and more to abandon wood enclosures altogether, for the art metals are made to reproduce the rich quality of woodwork with durability and at low cost. Radiator enclosures in a variety of wood finishes or flat tints cost from twenty dollars up, according to design, finish, and size. Designs include those with hand-shaped metal moldings or with wood trim and period carving, and grilles to correspond. A Gothic design is particularly effective in a cabinet-shaped piece to cover a high radiator, the arched panels and grooved legs as finely finished as an antique might be. Another cover is carved in Italian motifs, and a Spanish console is ornamented with graceful scrolls of wrought iron. Still others fit into the Early American or French provincial room, the English cottage or manor house, or any other type of simple or elaborate home. At least one enclosure has been designed and displayed for the modernistic setting, its geometric lines

faithfully adhering to advanced ideals. The majority of manufacturers make all their enclosures to order because of the great variation in size and shapes of radiators to be covered. As for finish, they will match your woodwork or the tint of your wall with (continued on page 194)

Some common faults in house plans

A "muddled house," designed especially for us, which may be compared with many so-called "model houses"

S IT possible to design a house without some faults in it? Can you find any home that is perfectly arranged? It sounds pessimistic to reply "No," but that is the true answer.

However, the striving for the perfect in designing a house is but an indication that architecture is an art, since no final solution is possible. Improvements can always be made. That is one of the reasons why owning your own home can give so much pleasure. There is no use being unhappy because a few errors have been built into your home; it is almost inevitable.

For example, any house built a number of years ago with a one-car garage and one bathroom is considered almost inadequate to-day. It was all right some time ago, but our ideas are changing. Who would have predicted, years ago. that we should come to the time when a single family of average means would consider building a two-car garage? Yet

to-day, realty agents are finding more and more resistance to the sale of homes having only one-car garages. And who would have dreamed, fifteen years ago, that even the smallest house was inadequately equipped, if it had only one bathroom?

Sometimes our ideas of the best in house planning are completely changed in so short a period as one gen-eration. Take, for example, the transformation that has come over the average home with the decrease in available servants. The big house is no more and is a drug on the market. This, of course, does not apply to the wealthy man's estate. Most persons want small homes which they can take care of themselves when it is impossible to get servants. Look at the change from the big, ungainly room that the kitchen formerly was to the small, efficient one of to-day. How quickly, too, the damp, dark,

and ill-ventilated laundry, that used to be in the cellar, is coming up to light and sunshine on the first floor. Observe how the old-fashioned pantry has changed into the breakfast nook. See how the H. VANDERVOORT WALSH

Assistant Professor of Architecture Columbia University

dining room is changing from an important room in the house to a small alcove or a corner of the living room.

But there are mistakes, which get into even the newest homes, because sometimes a choice has to be made between beauty and practicability. For example, in the English type of house, most of the bedrooms on the second floor must be kept in the roof, to prevent the house from looking top-heavy. A person of practical mind might insist on having the roof lifted higher to give square walls to the second floor rooms and to provide better ventilation. From the point of view of the exterior, this would be a mistake of proportion and might make the house very ugly, as many examples testify. On the other hand, the person who is sensitive to at the sides of the rooms, in the decorative scheme. Looked at from the practical point of view, this might be a mistake, for these rooms are sometimes hot and stuffy in the summer months, and the wall space for furniture is limited, Thus, in the planning of any house, the beautiful and the practical must be worked out together.

Besides the conflict of beauty and practicability there is the eternal conflict of these virtues with a third, economy. Consider, for instance, the stairways in the small house. In the ideal home, the front stairs should be made an important feature, and a back stairway should be provided from the kitchen to the second floor. However, stairs take up a lot of room, if they are to be comfortable and not just glorified ladders. This space is very precious in a house limited in size by a budget. As a result, few modern homes are equipped with a rear stairway. Rather than spend the

money for it, the space is turned over to some of the living rooms. But one stairway in full view of the front door or living room is a mistake which any woman will recognize when she is caught in the kitchen and wants to get upstairs to dress before meeting the visitors, who have full view of the one and only way to the second floor.

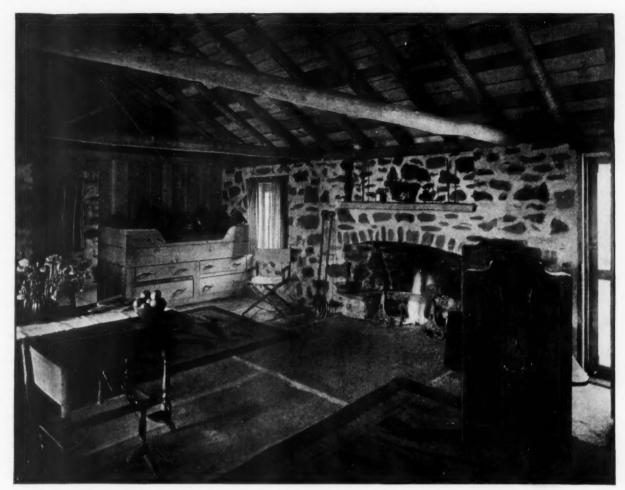
Thus, even the best houses may have errors of planning in them, due to changing customs, improvements in mechanical equipment, compromises between beauty and practical requirements or between two practical limitations.

However, there are certain mistakes that one often sees which are possible to avoid, because they are the result of an unfinished study of the plan. To illustrate some of the common ones, a plan is shown with this in which they have been deliberately incorporated. Instead of a "model house" this is a "muddled"

"model house" this is a "muddled house." You may test out your plan sense by jotting down all of the errors which you can find and comparing them with this list. (continued on page 190)



beauty of proportion, and more and more are becoming so, might insist upon the low roof and might try to ventilate the second floor bedrooms with dormers, making the most of the slanting ceilings,



A wide rough-finished fireplace, high built-in beds, and a double reversible fire bench are the salient features of the living-room, which runs the entire width of the cottage. The floor is of flagging

A small house for a small sum

A week-end lodge in Connecticut and how it was built for less than \$2,000

NANCY WOODS WALBURN

IMPLE lodges or camps that make week-ends in the country possible the year round are growing increasingly popular and are fast multiplying around New York as well as other large cities. The reason for this is not difficult to find. From such a simple and rustic week-end base as the one described here, impromptu parties around the fireside and hikes as well as sports are readily and easily planned with a lack of formality that makes these occasions the more enjoyable.

Underlying this almost universal desire for a little house in the country may be the realization

This week-end lodge constructed of stone native to the region by local masons and carpenters cost less than \$2,000 complete. There are rustic seats built at either side of the door of how much more exhilarating and restful a motor trip through the hills may be, if the town-weary automobilist does not have to turn back on the road and return at night. A week-end cabin or lodge at the end of the journey may transform the trip into a week-end of relaxation.

Bachelors and bachelor maids both are creating delightful small places where they may offer delightful informal hospitality. An admirable example of this type of lodge in a wilderness is illustrated here. The house of George C. Seeley, at Essex, Connecticut, designed by C. A. Peck, architect, was built including all costs for \$1,901. This economical figure was made possible not only because native wood and stone on the place (or within cheap hauling reach) was used, but also because clever makeshifts

and savings within eliminated much that is usually thought necessary in the simplest construction. A close study of the pictures will reveal details that, while thoroughly artistic and in keeping with the campatmosphere, allow cutting down on labor. (Continued on page 194)

New flower pots and stands

Wrought-iron tables with tile tops and graceful iron and wooden brackets hold the new gay and artistic pots

JANE TEN BROECK

O SOONER does the gardenloving populace of America shut itself into houses and apartments for the winter, than it demands means and methods of bringing its gardens indoors as well. Only a few years ago this craving for a winter garden in the house took expression in bent wire or painted wooden framework, a system of steps and shelves, usually designed to completely fill a bay window of the living room. On these shelves, in iardinières and pots, the Begonias and Geraniums, the Fuchsias and Ferns struggled along. For the most part their beauties were lost upon the occupants of the room, for the shelves faced out through the window, a sort of display for the passerby, although this vanity on the part of the housekeeper could be excused by the plant's need of light.

Large bay windows are becoming scarcer and scarcer in modern houses, and the demand for light for the human occupants is more important in these days than the necessity of light for a

dozen or so plants.

There are other factors, however, which have eradicated this old-time flower stand from our homes, and among these is the element of style. Our simplified rooms demand unobtrusive devices for plants, something which will harmonize with the decorative spirit of the room, which may be easily moved about, easily cared for, and which will be an adequate but unobtrusive holder for the pots and

The vogue for Spanish and Italian furniture has brought into the country new evidences of the beautiful iron work of these two countries. There are little tables for porch, hall, or any room, made of tiles and set on a framework of iron. These are excellent as places for a pot of Ivy, or any other plant because the seepage from the pot and the moisture cannot harm the tile top. There are iron and tile, iron, and painted tin window boxes, designed within for drainage of the soil and outside for good appearance, and while the use of iron might seem to make such pieces heavy they are actually easy to move from one place to another and they are designed in several sizes for large and small windows, or to use in groups or pairs in a sunroom. These may be used in almost any interior. They are not limited to a Spanish or Italian decorating scheme.

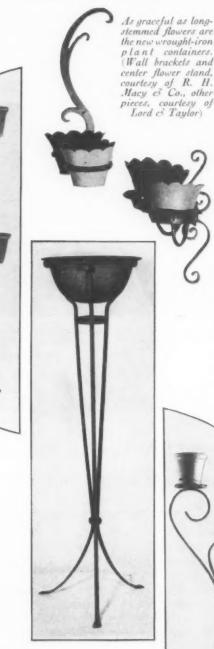
Gracefully wrought and shaped iron is also used in other types of flower holders, which have made their appearance in the last few months. These are styles influenced by modernist design, some are of angular lines bearing cubical or rectangular pots and jars, while others are copied from vines and flowers, substituting for the blossom a flat arrangement of petals which holds a painted pot, this shaped like a deep-petaled flower, or it may be like the cup of certain blossoms. The stem of the plant is of course the stem and branches of the stand. A small holder of this type has a short shepherd's crook as the central stem, easily picked up by the crook and carried about from room to room. This holds three pots. Taller ones may hold five or seven pots which rest on branches or stems arranged at pleasing intervals. Such stands are especially effective

when trailing vines such as Ivy are

planted in the pots, for there

is plenty of room for the trailing ends to hang down. These stands are excellently placed in a corner between two windows or in front of a group of windows or in a hall, a pair used, one at either side of a console. They are also effective in a dining room, one used at either side of a buffet and while such placements may be far from windows, the Ivy can do with very little light if its doses of light are provided at watering time. (Sprinkling the leaves, watering the roots and standing the pots in the open window in mild weather is about all the attention

demanded by this plant for luxurious In rooms of simplified modern treatment, where there (continued on page 198)



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Where the winter is ever mild

Planting preparations for a year-round garden in the Lower South

MARY WILLIS SHUEY

UST at the time that the northern gardener begins to settle down for a few months rest from rakes and lawn-mowers and fertilizers and shears, the preparations for the winter garden absorb the attention and energy of the gardener of the Lower South. November and December are busy months in the Jacksonville-New Orleans garden area. The months from November to April are the planting season for southern gardens, when trees, shrubs, and vines must be planted.

Indeed, November first is popularly regarded as the infallible day for planting. All-Saints' Day is an important date in a Latin community, and in New Orleans there is the lingering legend that seeds, trees, shrubs,—anything—planted on this day never fail. Results bear out the conviction: growth at this season is almost certain. But any other day in November would yield equally good results.

Up until November 1st Chrysanthemums hold the attention of the gardener. After All-Saints' Day interest in Chrysanthemums flags: it is time to plant the annuals and perennials! Quite often the Chrysanthemums are taken out that the Sweet-peas may be planted in their place—and in the late spring the Sweet-peas are removed and Chrysanthemums again planted. Most of the seed plants are started in flats in September or early October, and then transplanted, though



In the Lower South the garden is an allyear-round affair without the seasonal concentration of bloom necessary in the North. Photographed at Elms Court, Natchez, Miss.

Mr. Baird Fischer at New Orleans has gathered a rich collection of plants native to the region and showy flowers and trees of the tropics all around the whole world



good results are obtained from planting at almost any time. The seeds may be sown in the open ground. Calendula, Coreopsis, Pansy, Candytuft, English Daisy, Primrose, Cornflower, Larkspur, Clarkia, Forget-me-not, Gaillardia, Petunia, Stock, Sweet Alyssum, Marigold, Nasturtium, Godetia, Phlox, Poppy, Snapdragon and Pink will grow through the winter months unless a severe frost occurs. And even if there be a frost, it is always time to plant seeds again, and have them ready for bloom in a few weeks! After a frost the average southern gardener goes to a florist and buys plants that are ready to bloom: indeed, this is a common practice at all times for the annuals.

Flowering shrubs are the pride and joy of the 30-degree latitude garden, and on these the flower-lover centers his care. The annuals and perennials are regarded as mere fillers, something to add color to the garden, and for cutting purposes, but not an integral part of the garden itself

Winter grass must be sown in November and the lawn made ready for its winter green. (continued on page 204)

Good tools are worth keeping good

Proper winter handling of the working equipment to keep it ready for use and all set to go in the spring

BY PROPERLY taking care of the garden tools in the fall, hours of making ready in spring can be saved. Rust has a knack of doing slow but effective damage and is the thing to be guarded against most carefully.

There should be a storage room, dry and completely weatherproof. As each tool is used for the last time, it should be checked in a notebook, and any parts needing replacement or repair noted. A good time to see to these repairs, by the way, is at this time, too. Take out the broken or worn part and on a shipping tag note what is to be done. If it is a casting, put down the maker's name and address and number of the part. It is then all ready for the local dealer who will see that the part is replaced. If attention of a blacksmith is needed then the part should be taken to the shop at the time and, as soon as the repair is made, the machine reassembled.

All metal work, and wood, too, can

DALE R. VAN HORN

be rubbed with an oil-soaked rag. The oil used should be clean but not too light, for it must give a perfect covering through the winter. All bearings, too, can be greased well. If broad surfaces are to be kept shiny, such as the share of the garden plow or the hoe blade, coat the surface liberally with hard oil. This work is a dirty job and should be done in old clothes. The storage space can be segregated so that if in a large room it can be kept by itself.

Several types of storage may be employed. Sometimes a summer house on a country estate is used for the storage of garden tools from early fall to spring. This gives a building with a full twelve months' usage, whereas, if used for a summer house alone, it would remain unoccupied for half of the year. Temporary shelves can be put in to hold special parts and the floor can be covered with

old newspapers to prevent dripping oil or grease from leaving marks.

Another good place for garden tools is the overhead space in the average garage. Usually the space above the top of the walls is wasted. Two or three tie pieces, running from the top of one wall to the top of the other are required anyway, to prevent the roof from sagging. These can be spaced four or two feet apart and boards laid on top to give an attic large enough to hold practically every tool and implement ever used in the average garden.

Then there is the basement of the home, which, left dried out by the heat from the furnace, is excellent. If, however, the basement is damp, the garage will be better.

An unusual but excellent tool storage I saw on one Nebraska estate was formed by the seats inside a large arbor. The seat proper is hinged so that the tools

can be put inside. (continued on page 230)



In Mrs. Robert C. Hill's Long Island garden the tool house was made into a real part of the garden enclosure. Such a feature is most useful all the year round for holding garden accessories



Planting roses in midwinter

Tells of an actual experience and advocates dates that will surprise many

J. H. NICOLAS

N DECEMBER 15, 1928, I planted over a thousand Roses of various classes and varieties; the loss has been negligible. In the spring of this year they came up with great vigor, almost rivaling neighboring plants several years older. In April, I made another planting, The loss was much larger and the plants showed plainly that their root system was not sufficiently established, the blooms were late and were caught by the hot weather.

Roses, to be perfect in form and color must bloom early, before hot weather sets in. Fall planted Roses will bloom at the normal time, and this would be a major argument in favor of fall versus spring planting. A second argument is that spring planted Roses, being late, come to bloom at about the time the

accursed rose chafer makes its appearance.

It is always well to observe Nature's ways and dangerous to violate her laws. Sap is to the plant what blood is to animals and, like blood, sap flows to warmth. In the fall, the air becomes frigid-more and more so every daywhile the soil having stored much of the summer heat remains warm for a long time. Therefore the sap is drawn to the roots, and the foliage dies mainly from lack of nourishment. From that time on, roots are very active, growing new fibers, which are the actual feeders, getting ready for the following year. It is interesting to dig a Rose bush, or any other shrub, in December and observe the

new growth of white roots. In the spring, the process is reversed. The air is warmer than the soil, therefore sap ascends to the branches, growing foliage. Newly planted shrubs are called upon to grow and support foliage before the roots have established themselves and soon become exhausted, the more so if the planting has been delayed until the awakening of Nature, as unfortunately it often is.

But there is a reservation to make that is all important: before they can be safely transplanted, plants should be thoroughly matured, the wood hardened by frost and the sap returned to the roots. This does not happen generally until some time in November. Until then, transplanting should not be attempted, because the wood is soft and would either dry up if left exposed (continued on page 256)

Using bulbs for early indoor bloom

Amazing results from this simple type of gardening

ID you really grow these yourself?"
Not infrequently I have had visitors ask me this question, with a note either of unbelief or of awe in their voices, about a bowlful of Daffodils or Tulips, lending their bit of charm and glorious color to a winter window garden. And always I am amused at the incredulity displayed when I attempt to explain that indoor bulb gardening is about the simplest and most certain of all types of gardening, and that they themselves could easily duplicate the

There is no mystery about the successful growing of bulbs for indoor bloom. The beginner trying it for the first time

results which they so much admire.

can be almost certain of success if a few common sense directions are followed. Even those who chance to live in apartments and possess no garden out of doors, react to the good cheer and hopefulness that any growing plant, blooming within our homes while all outdoors is within the grip of winter, brings to us. No cut

F. F. ROCKWELL



The Early-flowering type of Tulip is generally the easiest kind to "force"



flowers, no matter how exotically beautiful they may be can serve to inspire us in quite the same way.

Not only is it possible for anyone to have flowers from bulbs and roots blooming indoors throughout the winter months, from Thanksgiving until Easter or later, but practically all the work in growing them may be done outside, and they may be put away, like canned vegetables on a shelf, for use as wanted!

The requirements for indoor bulb gardening are few and simple. The expense connected with their culture is little—much less than would be required for a similar number of cut flowers from the florist, which will not last nearly so long nor give the same degree of

pleasure. These essentials are: good bulbs, of the kinds adapted to indoor growing; suitable soil; convenient containers; a moderate temperature—40 to 50 degrees at night, and 10 to 20 more during the day; and at least a few hours sunshine daily.

What bulbs may be "forced"? The word (continued on page 234)

Hyacinths excel in fragrance. For indoors use the "miniature" bulbs are usually more practical than the larger "exhibition" size



Any of the Dutch bulbs may be grown indoors. Narcissus in soil instead of pebbles will have better flowers, which will last longer

A new view of garden color

Get balance of color intensity, and color harmony will take care of itself

ARMONIOUS color combinations are a favorite subject of garden enthusiasts. Minute directions are given to plant X with Y for a pleasing combination, but that neither X nor Y should be planted with Z, for hideous color effect will inevitably follow.

Color generally can be used most successfully if used generously. Splash it around. Put it in great masses to produce the accent needed to bring out the design. Use daring combinations, colors with vibrating life in their tones, to give life to the garden. Color is the lifeblood of the garden. Do not let your garden suffer from anemia.

Most schemes for combining plants to produce desirable color arrangements are based on the trial-and-error method. Gardeners have found that certain plants "look well" together, while others do not lend themselves to happy association. Perhaps there is some basic principle which produces color harmony hidden in these experiments with plant-

ARTHUR HAWTHORNE CARHART

Landscape Architect who are in colors in the

ing schemes. One thought has so impressed me throughout fifteen years of activity in the field of landscape architecture that it is worthy

of statement for

who are interested in harmony between colors in the garden. This rule seems to apply in other forms of compositional art. It may be near the basic principle of garden color harmony.

As a first consideration there are but three primary colors, yellow, red, and (continued

In this group of Lupins intensity of color is thrown to the foreground, throw giving a sense of depth to the mass

Color groups in presenting a garden picture may be compared to the choir groups of orchestral instruments in music. Balance between those parts is essential

Some light on tree pruning

It is a means to remedy some defect never a prime issue of itself

E. BADE

HE pruning of trees needs thought and understanding. It is absolutely impossible to prune properly by simply cutting out a certain number of branches and trusting to luck that the ones cut are the ones that should have been removed. Correct pruning, although simple and easy to do, calls for some knowledge of the various types of buds and branches found on a tree.

The larger fruit trees must be thoroughly pruned from time to time. Pruning for the purpose of increasing the yield of fruit is not necessary. This pro-

cess can only be used successfully with the trained dwarfed trees. If pruning is carried too far, and too many branches are cut off, the tree will decrease its yield of fruit. Pruning is done to lighten the crown so that more light and air may enter. At the same time any branches that give the tree an unsightly appearance are removed. As a general rule the crowns are pruned to prevent

them from becoming too dense or to give a more pleasing effect.

I. To prune a tree make the cut at the lower side

of the branch

Bushy or small trees are best pruned during the winter months, removing the leaf buds with the exception of two resting buds, and the main branch is shortened for about half its length. The lead or terminal branch is removed in its entirety. The branches are pruned off with part of last year's wood. All twigs containing flowering buds must be left standing.

As a rule the leaf producing buds of fruit trees are slender, long, and pointed while the flower buds are thick and round. The former slender buds, when they burst forth, produce other leaf buds.

The flower producing buds are usually found on four distinct and separate kinds of spurs which may be recognized easily by any one who is looking for the fertility of a certain fruit tree. All types of spurs are not always present, but at least two of them often are found together. At times one or the other fruit spur refuses to flower but generally all of them do their full duty. When a number of such characteristic spurs are found

it may be taken as a sure sign that plenty of fruit will be developed by the tree if it has the chance to set. (See the article in September American Home, page 689.)

The stone fruits with the exception of the Peach (where this characteristic is not so well defined) have a thick massive spur thickly spattered with flowering buds, the tip being provided with a leaf bud. The Cherry is a good example and usually has a large number of such short twigs.

The two most common fruit-carrying spurs differ widely among

themselves, but are very characteristic and can hardly be missed. The first of these short twigs is a narrow slender shoot varying in length



II. Then the branch may be sawed off at the shoulder

from four to ten inches. It looks just like an ordinary leaf producing shoot except that the tip carries one or two rounded flower buds.

The other may occasionally be as long as the one just described but it is usually much shorter, a length of two inches being quite common. In both these, the bark is quite smooth. In this particular short spur the conical bud

One of the most characteristic of the shorter spurs producing fruit, a spur which seldom exceeds two inches in length, has its bark so wrinkled that it cannot be missed. This wrinkling of the bark is due to the extremely slow growth of this shoot. Each circular wrinkle or ring is one year's growth. Both flowers and leaves are developed, but due to an insufficient supply of sap, the wood-producing part of the bud cannot grow

rapidly, and just a few leaves are developed each season.

A slight variation of the first bud described is especially noticeable on the Apple where it forms a peculiar thickening resembling a miniature club. These are special formations where buds will later be developed in profusion. An Apple has usually been formed in this position, and, when it is removed, this thick protuberance remains.

The terminal bud of a stone fruit is always a leaf bud; the flower buds are developed singly and are situated on the sides of the twig, the exceptions being the clustered flower buds mentioned above. This is similar to the ringed spur of the Apple, and it produces the greater part of the fruit of Plum, Sweet Cherry and Apricot, while Peach and Sour Cherry are most prolifically developed on the long slender shoots.

Never, unless it becomes absolutely necessary, prune off flower producing spurs. At the same time it is well to remember that, although Apple and Pear readily produce new shoots on

older pruned branches, the other fruit trees do so with difficulty and sometimes refuse to do so entirely. At the same time the former produce their fruit on mature branches, the latter only on one-year old twigs.

Every branch which is removed must be cut off in such a way that a slight shoulder remains on the trunk. When this is removed the wound produced is far too large, bu car an

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and it heals with difficulty. Cutting off the branch above the shoulder is just as bad for it leaves a stump which decays, the decay entering the main trunk and producing heart decay of the entire tree. When cutting off a large branch always cut the lower side first so that bark will not be ripped off when the branch falls down. After a slight cut has been made on the under side, cut the branch at the top and paint the wound, if it is large, with shellac dissolved in alcohol or cover with tree wax. Tar and oil paints are not well adapted for closing the wounds for the new bark has difficulty in growing over this surface.



III. Never leave a stump to die back nor let the bark be pulled off the tree

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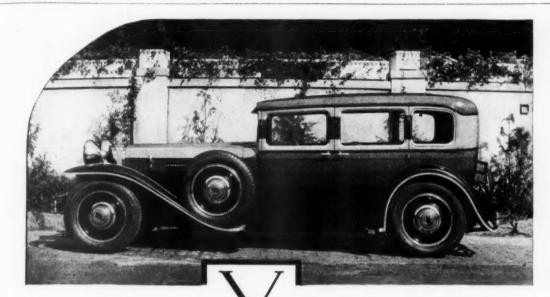
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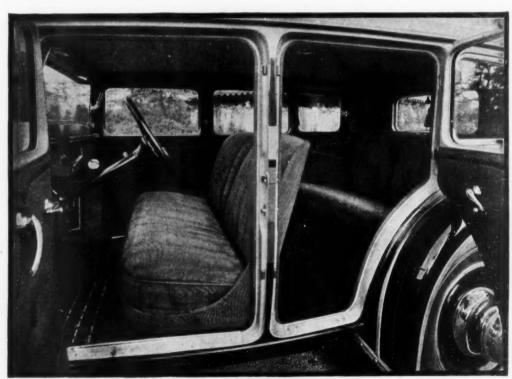
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Luxuriant growth in the author's lily pool and rock garden. Waterlities seem to thrive in Minnesota conditions



Mitigating winter's severities

Nine times out of ten it is not the cold that hurts but early drought or stagnant dampness

ROMAINE B. WARE

HERE winter conditions are very severe the gardener is faced with several distinct problems: even though hardy varieties be selected, winter protection must be attended to punctiliously, and special efforts must be made in spring to get an early start by planting seeds under glass or inside the house.

Thirty below zero in winter, ninety or above in the shade during midsummer, and only four months from frost to frost constitute a climate in which it is not easy to establish an artistic garden; but it is done most successfully in many places throughout the middle western part of our country. Gar deners in Minnesota, Wisconsin, and some parts of Michigan and adjacent states are up against practically the conditions outlined above. Sometimes it is longer than four months from frost to frost, but the average is just about four months. The days in summer are long, however, and the flowers seem to realize their season is short and to make special efforts to complete their life cycle during the limited time allotted to them.

Gardening interest is just as general in these sections as where the climate is less severe. It seems that the more difficult the problem, the more the interest in it. Garden clubs flourish and not only are they active in the summer months, but they hold meetings all winter at which they discuss their problems.

Because of the short growing season and the early frosts, some of the most brilliant of the fall flowers can not be included in these gardens. Only in exceptional instances is it possible to flower Chrysanthemums outside, and one seldom sees Japanese Anemones. Rhododendrons and other broadleaved evergreens are infrequently, if ever, successful. But there is a wealth of Junipers, Pines, Arborvitaes, and other conifers that lend color to the winter landscape. Great difficulty is also experienced in wintering Canterbury-bells and Foxgloves. Roses are not easy,

gloves. Roses are not easy, but if their winter protection is intelligently handled they may be grown with a reasonable degree of success.

There are, however, a great many flowers that will withstand the severities of climate. Among the most important perennials, the Peony and Iris head the list. Both flourish absolutely without protection, except during the first winter following their planting, when they should receive a light mulch after the ground is frozen. When they are fully established and rooted, the mulch is not necessary except in exposed locations where the snow does not accumulate. Next to these two come Delphinium and Perennial Phlox, dependable year after year, and in well drained locations with slight protection they almost never winter-kill. Here also is a list of a dozen and a half other perennials that are perfectly hardy and which every garden should have-Achillea, Aconite, Anchusa, Columbine, Fall Aster, Shasta Daisy, Coreopsis, Dianthus in many varieties, Gaillardia, Gypsophila, Hemerocallis, Helenium, Hollyhock. (continued on page 210)



A well-kept garden in the East (Mr. P. W. Williamson, Scarsdale, N. Y.) where winter is not so severe. Light covering keeps all quiet

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The incumbrance on the house

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The right of the mortgagor to pay indebtedness after his default and thereby to secure a reconveyance of the property was known as his equity of redemption. Therefore to-day when a man says that his equity in a house is \$20,000 he means that this sum represents his right of redemption or, in other words, the value of the house less the amount of the mort-

There may be many mortgages on a single piece of land. You may, for instance, buy a house for \$25,000. which is already carrying a first mortgage of \$15,000. You take the house subject to that mortgage and owe the seller only \$10,000 which is the value of his equity in the house. But instead of paying him the \$10,000 in cash, he may agree to take \$5,000 in cash and a second mortgage on the house of \$5,000. Such a mortgage, when it is given to the seller as part of the purchase price of the house, is known as a purchase money mortgage

If, after you have resided in the house for a few years, you suddenly discover that you need \$2,000 in cash to care for some unexpected emergency, you may be able to secure a mortgage for that amount. Unless the emergency is very press ing, such a third mortgage would ordinarily be economically unsound. You would probably have to pay a large interest rate to get it, and meeting the interest payments on the first, second, and third mortgages would constitute a rather harsh burden. But if financial conditions make it necessary, you can usually borrow to within a few thousand dollars of the actual value of your equity.

It is possible, of course, to record a second mortgage before a first. If a mortgage is given upon a house and it is intended by both parties that it shall be a second mortgage and take its place after another mortgag which has not yet been obtained, the parties can accomplish their purpose merely by inserting a subordination clause in the mortgage.

When the mortgage containing such a clause is recorded before any other mortgage has been secured upon the property, it becomes a first mortgage, but as soon as another mortgage has been secured, it immediately becomes a second mortgage.

This matter of a subordination clause is particularly important to a person who is buying property and who is giving the seller a purchase money second mortgage as part of the purchase price. The parties, in such a transaction expect the purchase money mortgage to be and to remain a second mortgage "subject and subordinate to the first mortgage." But unless a subordination clause is in-cluded, the second mortgage may automatically and at a very inconvenient time, become a first mortgage.

Assume that the first mortgage of \$10,000 has three years to run, and the purchase money second mortgage has five years to run. If at the end of the three-year period the holder of the first mortgage refuses to renew it, you will, of course, try to get another person to advance the money to you. Your savings bank will probably be glad to pay off the existing first mortgage and give you a new one in its

place. But it will only do this, if the mortgage it is to get is a first mortgage Now is the time that the subordination clause is important. For the outstanding second mortgage will automatically become a first mort. gage unless it contains a clause, subordinating itself not merely to the existing first mortgage, but also "to a mortgage or mortgages in substitu-tion or replacement thereof."

Giving a mortgage upon a house is similar to depositing bonds with a bank to secure an advance of money. When a person borrows money from his bank, he signs a note to acknowl. edge his indebtedness, and, tion, deposits security, so that if he does not pay the note, the bank can sell the security and reimburse itself that way. Such a transaction is exactly analogous to the borrowing of money on the security of a mortgage. The mortgagor signs not merely the mortgage, but also a promissory note or a bond. The note or the bond represents the debt; the mortgage is the security. Therefore the mortgagee, if he wishes, may sue the mortgagor on his note instead of foreclosing the mortgage. But by suing only on the note, the mortgagee gets an ordinary judgment which is collected only if the mortgagor is solvent. If he forecloses the mortgage, he causes the property to be sold and satisfies his mortgage out of the proceeds of the

Unscrupulous mortgagees have frequently sold the promissory note, which represents the debt, to one person; and the mortgage, which represents the security, to another. Both the holder of the note and the owner of the mortgage have then demanded payment from the mortgagor. This would be a particularly hard nut for the average mortgagor to crack. Here are two persons who have each, in good faith, bought the claim against him. Each holds one of the documents evidencing and constituting the claim. Which one is to receive payment?

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The law says that the man who holds the note or bond is to be paid. and that the man who holds the mortgage without the note or bond has an unenforceable claim. The holder of the note or bond may not only sue on the instrument, but he may even foreclose the mortgage which he does not hold and which has been sold to someone else. Why? Because the law says that the note or bond is the debt and the mortgage merely security for it, and that the man to whom the debt is owing is entitled both to the debt and to the security.

The rule which follows from this discussion is not obvious. Never pay an interest installment to any person not the party to whom you mortgaged the property, unless he shows you (I the original mortgage, (2) the original promissory note or bond, and (3) a assignment of the note or bond and the mortgage running from the one inal mortgagor to the person who demanding payment.

And similarly when your mortgage is due and you are paying it off, do not pay the principal and interest which is due, even to the original mortgagee (continued on page 166)

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unless he can give you (1) the mortgage. (2) the note or bond, and (3) a satisfaction piece, which is a document reading as follows:

I, John Doe, do hereby certify that a certain indenture of mortgage bearing date of January 1st, 1929, and made and executed by John Smith to secure payment of the principal sum of \$5,000 and interest and duly recorded in the office of the Register of the County of New York in liber 827 of mortgages, page 34, is paid and I do hereby consent that the same be discharged of record.

Signed (John Doe)

There are two clauses, (which incidentally are usually combined into one) of which you should know. The first is known as the acceleration clause and provides that "the entire principal sum shall at the option of the mortgagee become due and payable after any default on the part of the mortgagor in carrying out the terms, provisions, and clauses of this instrument." Such a clause, in one form or another is found in almost every mortgage. It permits the mortgagee to declare the entire indebtedness due, if the mortgagor does not pay one installment of interest or principle on its due date, or shortly thereafter. Such a clause, provided it is accompanied by a reasonable grace clause, is of course just and fair. If the mortgagor cannot pay one install.

ment, it is probable that he will not be
able to pay others, and the mortgagee should not be compelled to
take a separate legal proceeding to enforce the collection of each installment,
Most acceleration clauses do not

Most acceleration clauses do not give the mortgagee power to declare the entire indebtedness due until a specific number of days after a default. The clause which sets forth the number of days is known as a grace clause. In New York, we usually provide the acceleration clause shall not be operative until ten days after a default in the payment of interest, and fifteen or thirty days after a default in the payment of installments of principle on taxes.

A mortgagor should not assume because his mortgage contains a grace clause that his payments under the mortgage do not become due until the expiration of the period of grace. They are due and payable on the day when the mortgage declares them to be due. A suit for their recovery may be started immediately after that day. The mortgagor cannot declare the entire indebtedness due until the expiration of the grace period, but he has an absolute right to do so immediately thereafter, and he may even refuse to accept anything less than the whole indebtedness if the mortgagor has waited until the end of the grace period to tender the in-

The small bookroom and its fittings

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sufficient light to see well by or where the light falls from the wrong direction. They even persist in placing reading lights at the wrong side of easy chairs and bedsteads. The light ought to come from the left, preferably over the left shoulder. It is injurious to the eyes to have the light coming from the right side. A writing table ought always to be placed in front of or beside a window or, at least, where it gets a good lefthand light, and all reading lights should invariably be set to throw their light from the left side. There is no detail of bookroom equipment that it is more important to heed.

As a bookroom should be particularly light and cheerful, much can be done toward this end by using white or light-colored paint. Of course, if the room naturally has abundant light entering it, there can be no objection to using darker-colored paint or the natural wood. In this connection, however, it is just as well to remember that the backs of books absorb a lot of light en masse, although the individual bindings may be of bright colors. Books together are like crowds of people. A crowd always looks black or dark from a distance, even though many of the persons in the crowd have on lightcolored clothes; just so a number of books seen together on shelves are more likely than not to present expanses of somber color. Then, too, there are the dark horizontal stretches of shadow between the tops of the books in each row and the bottoms of the shelves above.

Likewise, in order to counteract the inevitable loss of light through the books and shelf shadows, whatever wall spaces are free of bookshelves had better be light in color, whether papered or painted. For the same purpose, the curtains should be made in such a way that they will not interfere with the entrance of light. The whole window area should be allowed to let in light and not be partly blocked off and neutralized by hangings that come part way across it.

ings that come part way across it.

It will be found generally desirable to have the bookshelves extend all the way to the ceiling. This will give the composition of the room more coherence than if there were an area of free wall space above, a space apt to be ill-lighted, difficult to do anything with, and possessing a deadly attraction for all kinds of irrelevant bric-àbrac, unless the bookshelves are no more than four and a half or five feet high. Besides, the shelving all the way to the ceiling will probably be needed to provide space for the books. They have a way of increasing mysteriously and, if all the shelves are not needed at first, they certainly will be before long. A bookroom ought to provide a chance for its contents to grow. If there is space enough to require only the low shelving for books, the room is hardly small enough to be put in the category of small bookrooms.

As to pictures, anyone with the tastes and inclinations that prompt the creation of a small bookroom can generally be trusted to make an appropriate selection.

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The American Home furnishes a house

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The built-in china cabinets are filled with the china and glass we have described, with, in addition, in the left-hand cabinet, on the top shelf a large pewter pitcher, suitable for milk or cider, and, balancing it, in the right-hand cabinet, a tall reproduction of a Liverpool pitcher, with a typical decoration of a rustic scene in black and white and the sharp nose and strong handle which always distinguish this type of pitcher. The cabinet shelves also display a service of square, ivory-white dessert plates with elaborate embossed borders and views of old English inns, printed from the actual plates used in "Coaching Days in England." Each plate has a different view, in black and white, with touches of color.

The mahogany cabinet holds jolly Toby jugs, copies of old Staffordshire pieces, as well as several reproductions of amusing Staffordshire animals.
"Uncle Toby" is dressed in brown, with a scarlet waistcoat, and has a curled wig, while in his hands are a "leather bottel" and a goblet. The other jug is our old friend, "Mrs. Caudle," in natural colors, with brown bodice, pink-striped shirt, polka-dot apron, and the famous nightcap. The animal groups are

naïve figures of a cow and calf, recumbent

stag, etc.
The lighting fixtures of the dining room are brass wall-sconces, like those used in the living room. The room is

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wired for a central lighting fixture over the table and a chandelier to match the sconces may be bought if desired.

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Right-hand built-in cabinet Liverpool pitcher Titian china ware Amber glass fingerbowls Amber glass goblets Square dessert plates Cups and saucers, Titian ware Covered vegetable dish

LEFT-HAND BUILT-IN CABINET

Large pewter pitcher
Large platter, Titian ware Gravy boat Other pieces as in right-hand cabinet

MAHOGANY CABINET

"Uncle Toby" pitcher
"Mrs. Caudle" pitcher
Reproductions of Staffordshire animal groups

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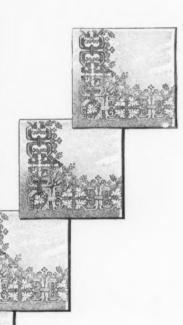
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- C. As water begins to bubble and boil, you watch it rise through the center tube into the top bowl. Stir a little and remove from heat.
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New color schemes for old

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things," and with this new found magic make modest simple rooms into smart ones that hum and sing with cheer and color.

What do your rooms need? There is a color to express just that. Are they small and dark? There is a color to make them appear larger and actually sunshiny and cheery. Are they spacious, many-windowed, and somewhat brazen in the sunlight? There is a color to soften, cool, and rest them. For every room and every purpose and every mood a color—so let's set out to find the right one.

Strange to say the most interesting and lovely new color combinations come from the modernists. I use the word "strange" because to most of us modernism has meant strident colors as well as bizarre designs. However, the modernists were the first to grasp the beauty of sombre colorings instead of contrasting hues and to realize the possibilities in the use of two or three tones of one color rather than sharply different hues in walls,

hangings, and floor coverings.
Walls and woodwork, perhaps have undergone the most radical change. Somewhere we had heard that ivory walls "were always good" and so for years, in simple little houses, in large houses, and in apartment houses we saw nothing but ivory walls, in living room, bedroom, and bath. Ivory walls in cheerless north rooms and ivory walls in south rooms where the sun poured in all day. Occasionally some rebellious soul flaunted gray walls, but most of our country went "ivory." Now walls have taken to the loveliest colors imaginable, and having seen them, we wonder why the absurdity of a single, universal color for all purposes in all rooms never before struck us. Here then are some of the new color combinations for walls and woodwork or, for that matter, color combinations that can be worked out in an entire room in furniture, draperies, and acces-

Apricot with brown and copper; peach and lacquer red; primrose yellow with blue-green or turquoise; citron, lemon yellow or chartreuse green with silver and dark blue; primrose yellow with orange and silver; chalk blue, hydrangea blue, turquoise, and pencil blues with dark blue or blue-green; chartreuse and silver with dark blue and jade; lemon yellow with cream and tête-de-nègre; cream with lemon yellow and lacquer red; gray and black with touches of silver; robin's egg blue and mulberry; parchment yellow with dull red and terra cotta; dead white with oyster white and touches of copper and orange; tan with blue-green and violet; white with honey beige; honey beige with brown and black; buff with putty, blue-green, and dull orange.

These are some of the most popular of the new color combinations, and it would be nearly impossible to pick any two or three that are lovelier than the rest. All these colors, whether in paint, floor covering, or fabric, are seen in dull, soft finishes and in those groups calling for unusual color combinations such as primrose yellow, orange, and silver, the orange or high color is used very sparingly, while all the yellows, blues, and greens are chalky, silvery tones. Very often the molding or woodwork is "picked out" in the darker or contrasting hues, thus giving a two or three tone woodwork effect.

Some of these color schemes, as

Some of these color schemes, as for instance those combining the dead white, oyster white, and chartreuse and silver would, obviously, make old and shabby furniture and draperies seem even shabbier by comparison. However, any walnut or mahogany bedroom suite would take on new airs against an apricot and copper or peach and lacquer red background; any tired dining room suite warm up to coppery browns, dull lacquer reds, and mulberry; and any living room in the same old taupes and blues revive amazingly with some of the chalky blues and primrose yellows about them.

If you are fortunate enough to be doing over the entire room from floor to ceiling, however, do not be afraid to use some of the more daring new color combinations I have listed above for you. I have seen them all worked out to the smallest detail, and I can assure you that not only are they smart and charming, but easy to live with after the first excitement of their newness begins to wear off. The fear that new and different color schemes will not "wear well" prevents many of us from ever trying anything new and so we go on, year after year, with the same uninspired conglomeration of old golds, roses, and blues about us.

These same color combinations suggest many additional color notes that may be worked out in the smallest accessories. A squatty brass bowl filled with orange bittersweet and placed in front of a large round copper tray would send a friendly gleam from some drab, dull corner. A frosty. silvery, pewter jug or pitcher is lovely with orange, yellow, and red flowers in it. Dull yellow tin pots for lustrous dark green laurel; a lettuce green hanging bookcase with shelves lined in chalky blue and edged with silver; yellow organdie curtains over orange organdie or peach voile edged and caught back with ruffles of chinese red glazed chintz; lemon yellow, gold, and chartreuse green pillows for the old blue sofa or dull gold, coppery brown, and terra cotta ones for the old taupe sofa-oh, there are no end of little as well as big ways in which to work the magic of some smart, new colors.

No need to shut our doors until next spring on all the gay, riotous colors of the summer we have left behind us. Let's bring some of it indoors with us for the coming winter days. Let's learn to use this magic and use it lavishly, making it express in every little detail of our homes our own charming, hospitable selves.





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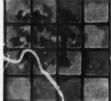
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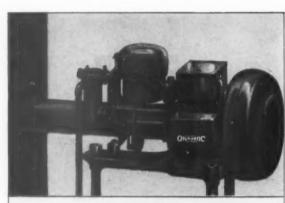
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The half-timbered cottages of Normandy

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one wall. Door and window openings were allowed for, and those members which were to provide the bracing and counter thrusting were introduced where necessary. They were then cut and carefully hewn to fit. This procedure was followed with the remaining three sides. After this, stone piers were built along the foundation walls, at proper intervals, for the support of the main vertical timbers, and after the placing of substantial horizontal members the framing was erected thereon and this as well as the heavy floor joists were secured by mortise and tenon and by solid pegging.

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The plan of the small Norman farm house suggests, of course, the in-terests and occupations of its master. He is first a dairyman. His barns are large and snug and his pastures extensive. Apple orchards surround his house, and he has constructed buildings for the storage and pressing of his apple crops, with a cellar large enough to take care of his cider and calvados. His dwelling is simply planned, and one and a half or two stories in height. There is the salle commune, or general living room, with its great fireplace, This room serves, of course, as kitchen too. The fireplace opening and mantel have in many cases preserved much of their old character and may be found constructed in brick, in stone, or in a combination of the two. I have seen a few massive stone lintels, but for the most part they are of wood. Brick is rather favored and may indeed be considered less "primi-tive" than stone, for I recall one mantel of fine proportions and of wellcut stone, which had been painted a glossy brick red and marked off with

brick points as neat and white as any in Philadelphia!

At one side of the fireplace and usually built into the wall is an alcove for firewood often with a low wooden gate. Within the last century, in those houses where the fireplace has not turned over its hospitable traditions to the modern coal stove, it has often been equipped with a polished iron hearth of rather graceful form which contains an ash drawer. The andirons are of iron polished to a dull nickel finish, as are the tongs, poker, and other implements. The cast-iron fire-back is frequently seen. The floor of this room may be of square red tiles, or of heavy oak planking, while the walls, unless covered by built-in cupboards, or closets, are of plain plaster and of a dull ivory tone. The ceiling is, of course, heavily beamed, sometimes plastered between the beams, and usually smoked to a rich umber. These ceiling beams are often whitewashed, and I remember one room in which they were papered in a Dutch tile design. There is the customary clutter of miscellaneous objects on the mantel shelf but, except for a calendar or two, a crucifix, or an occasional chromo, the walls are

The oil lamp hangs from the ceiling over the circular oil-clothed table, and against the walls are the dresser with its gay spots of colored porcelain and shining copper, the grandfather's clock with elaborate face, a simple table, a settle, perhaps, and a few assorted chairs.

Doors open from this room to adjoining rooms such as are required for farm labor and storage and to a modest stair which leads to the small bedrooms above. These in the cottages are deeply covered and usually lighted by small dormer windows.

Among the older houses, parti-

Among the older houses, particularly in the region about Caudebec, the roof is covered with thatch—with sometimes a row of iris planted along the ridge—but the small tile of brownish red color is much used and slates are common. Wood shingles are more often to be seen used across the gable ends that are most exposed to the wind and rains.

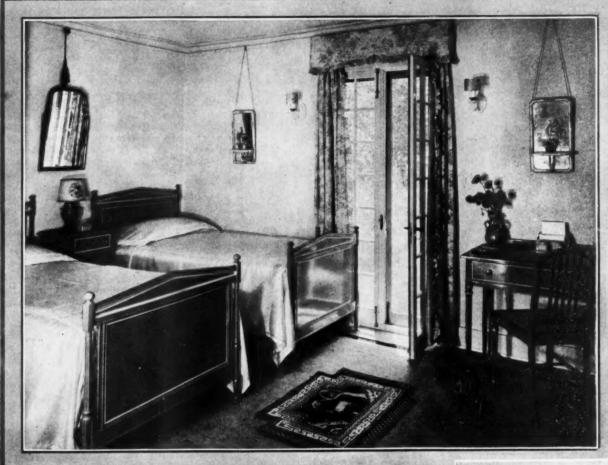
The windows are casements usually of three lights with rather heavy muntins, and the sash is painted white. Shutters, when existing, are of the simple board type, painted green or left to weather. The timbers are more often of weathered oak, although sometimes painted black, and it is noticeable that the spaces between vertical members are rarely more than one and a half times the width of the timbers themselves. These spaces are whitewashed from time to time. The Norman cottage reveals little of wrought iron, except in fireplace equipment. Hinges are simple and of ordinary strap iron.

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The house usually stands back some distance from the road and is surrounded by its orchard. A vegetable garden is at the side or back of the house, and flowering vines are planted along its walls, as well as espaliered pear trees, which always create a decorative effect against a wall of stone or brick. The well, usually sheltered by a square pavilion of open (continued on page 176)



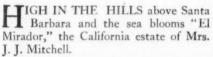
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timbers, is always a quaint feature of the Norman farmyard.

The restoration and repair of the old Norman houses vary in character with the purse and taste of their owners. Many of the finer examples are being carefully preserved by those who have the means to afford the cost this involves. The French government has the authority to decide, through a specially appointed commission, whether or not a building may be termed a monument historique. If it receives this classification, the owner can no longer sell it or modify it without the government's consent.

Thus the indefinite preservation of a number of important and unique buildings is assured to France.

Appreciation of the beauty and architectural importance of these Norman houses is general among all but the majority of those who live in them. Many of the Norman farmers to-day are eager to abandon the old chaumière and build for themselves a

very different type of dwelling, that grows more numerous every year. This is invariably a small box-like structure, usually two tallish stories in height, and characterized by perfect, undeviating symmetry in both plan and design. The roof is of even, thin slate, of composition shingle, or flat and of tin with copings. The walls are of red brick or of concrete block stuccoed and painted a dull brick red. The never used axial doorway is reached by several cement steps, and sheltered, (when this luxury can be afforded) by a small glass and metal hood somewhat reminiscent of those over the side doors of cheap hotels.

Such a house is the gnawing envy of many a farmer still obliged to live under a thatched roof, and I fancy it would be wildly sentimental to imagine that his neighbor in the fine brick residence ever suffers a moment of longing to return once again to the appealing old half-timbered cottage of his ancestors.

A choice of lovely linens

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constant laundering. So an extra dozen may well be included in the napkin supply.

Those who follow the most meticulous dictates of etiquette will rejoice to learn that the napkin need no longer match the cloth in pattern as long as its quality and color are the same. Perhaps this extra dozen may be in the new oblong size, eighteen by twenty-seven inches, which takes the place of the very large square which of old was used double.

In choosing from the bewildering range of patterns and colors which make modern damasks such works of art, the ensemble effect of china. silver, glass, and linen must be visualized, for suitability to purpose and surroundings is the very foundation of good taste. The bride who furnishes her dining room in the pine, maple, or cherry of early pioneer days will de-light in the "Good Ship Mayflower" pattern on her tablecloth. The home with the more ceremonious furnishings of a later era calls for such patterns as the Indian Scroll or the distinctive motifs of Chippendale or the Adam brothers to complement its mahogany. For the modernistic room, a cloth reflecting this vivid influence from its well-styled and interesting geometric pattern may serve as the background for the radical notes in the twentieth century glass and china.

Some of these patterns may be had in white only. Others include as well the range of rainbow hues which are now considered correct for even the most formal type of dinner. It is small wonder that these lovely pastels have aroused so much interest, for their colors are marvels of the dyers' art and being dyed in the varn before weaving they are usually fadeless, though it is wise to lean on the reputation of a house of integrity in buying colored damask. The cloth may be of a solid color with self toned pattern—soft yellow, azure blue, the

green of opening buds in springtime, peach, lavender—any color to blend with any decorative scheme is available. Neutral tones may be preferred—the ivory or gray, which forms a charming background for any dinner service, a tint from the range of browns and beiges. The combination of white with color shows up effective and lovely patterns, while up in the luxury class come the hand-painted cloths where the design woven in the white surface is delicately tinted with fast colors.

If one mistrusts the laundry and dares not risk the possession of one of these colored treasures, choice may fall upon the natural linens, which have always enjoyed wide favor. To keep the original shade of these unbleached materials even after repeated sunnings, one of the linen houses has put out a preparation easily used like bluing.

The hem on damask table cloths and on the napkins should be very narrow, always hand sewn with a fine overhand stitch, so that the cloth will launder well and the hem be neater and wear longer. Many stores will have this work done at a nominal charge if desired. Where a monogram is used—and this is optional—it often hangs over the edge of the table, opposite the entrance to the dining room.

As much care should go into the selection of the everyday napery as is given to the finer pieces. For while color, pattern, and price are the usual considerations in this style-conscious age, the quality and finish determine the life of the purchase. Good linen has considerable weight and is sold by weight. When it is stiff and creases easily it may contain much dressing. The weave underneath may be quite loose and open so that when the dressing is washed away the cloth will lack body and wear out (continued on page 178)

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A choice of lovely linens

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quickly. A fabric made of the flat curling "tow fibers" of the flax is more likely to become fuzzy after laundering than pieces made of the long lustrous "line fibers." The dressing covers up the fuzz at the start but if the finger nail is pressed against a heavily dressed cloth the sizing will declare its presence by flecking off. Linen should feel smooth and leathery. It should be tough but yielding. A close all-over pattern is better for hard use than a wider design for the different types of weave sometimes shrink differently and puckering results. The best insurance against disappointment is to buy of a house which values its reputation. By waiting for the annual sales of such establishments, most gratifying values can be obtained.

In the small luncheon cloth, which does duty interchangeably for the breakfast nook, the home luncheon, or the meal on the porch, more vivid colors are permissible than in more formal service. Colored damask or white with bright-hued borders is effective. The embroidered Italian linens, too, are moderate in price and satisfactory in wearing qualities. The appliquéd linens and exquisite hand blocked French versions are especially pleasing at the al fresco meal as their soft darker colors prevent any glare from annoying the diners.

Sets of doilies with runners or centerpieces to match will always hold their own for the simple service of a midday meal. And where tiny hands at the table complicate the laundry problem, they are ideal, and it is quite customary to use them at breakfast as well. From simple varieties, colorful or simply embroidered in self tones of white or natural linen, these sets run into luxurious real laces and exquisite hand woven linens for the most elaborate of luncheons.

An unobtrusive but necessary part of the table equipment is the silence cloth which gives to the damask-dressed table such a note of luxurious comfort. This pad may be of double felt or of quilting, and many hostesses prefer that it be cut to just cover the table at its usual size. When extension leaves are added, an additional section of the silence cloth is also added. The newest development in these pads is one which is heat and moisture proof and which does away with trivet or asbestos pad under the hot platter or dish.

In speaking of linens for the home we must not overlook a new luncheon set and dinner cloth although not of linen that are being put on the market. These are made of flexible fabric with a waterproof surface in damask design with the edges hemstitched so that to all intents and purposes they look like damask cloths. The material is easily cleaned, does not stain, and wears extremely well, and for the breakfast nook or the luncheon table, especially if there be children, one cannot imagine anything more satisfactory for the busy housewife than these cloths, which, when soiled only need a damp cloth rubbed over them to make them fresh and clean. A fifty-four inch cloth costs only \$3.25 while the luncheon set with oblong doilies comes at \$2.50 and both may be had in almost every color it is possible to imagine.

Every department of the home is riding that intangible force we call "style" to greater attractiveness than ever before and the dining room table is no exception. With the wide range of prices in which so many lovely linens and luncheon cloths can be bought to-day, any table no matter how simple, can be an artistic triumph, and this may be achieved without straining the limited budget.



In this lacquered cloth there is much of the beauty as well as design of the cloth it copied (Courtesy of Wellington, Sears and Company)

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Finding a home in a deserted schoolhouse

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door that gives access to it. From the tiled level there are three steps up to a small landing, from which the living room is entered. At the left, on the same landing, one is surprised to see a small open stairway, which leads to Mr. Morrill's study, an ample room over the entrance, where there is an excellent sky-light. An aged oak of great size gives sheltering shade in season, and creates a restful atmosphere of seclusion, silence, and solitude in that room hidden so cleverly beneath the peaked roof of the old red school-house.

Entrance to the cellar is also gained from the long narrow vestibule. On the lower level, at the left, an old-time battened door gives access to stairs leading to that very necessary part of the little home. The cellar is carefully arranged, well lighted, and as cleverly utilized as modern cellars are meant to be.

A fine pipeless furnace supplies the heat, requiring but four and one half tons of coal per season, for perfect comfort. On the main floor, at the left side of the door which opens from the vestibule landing, to the living room, is the bathroom. Bathroom accessories such as towel bars, soap dishes, tooth brush and glass holders are recessed into the tiled wall, which is soft antique green in color.

The bathtub is sunk to the floor

The bathtub is sunk to the floor level, with the shower overhead. All other fixtures are so placed and so well devised that appearance of cluttering is eliminated. The floor tiles of old designs in harmonious coloring help to develop and hold together the suggestion of primitiveness in the entire scheme of that floor.

In the other corner of the main floor, south of the living room, there is a model kitchen, which is a marvel of planning to save steps. It contains many required appointments usually allotted to very modern kitchens of much greater size.

Only an architect working out a scheme for the miniature kitchen of his own house, could have accom-

plished all of it without giving the room the appearance of being over full. There is comfortable floor space. The variety and efficiency of built-in devices facilitate cooking, and make of it a pleasure. In one corner, somewhat elevated from the floor, and partly recessed in an outside wall, are an air cooled closet, and an ice box. It is a scientific, architecturally correct part of the kitchen, which would prove a joy to many other economical home keepers.

The living room, which forms the central point of interest in this small house, is amazingly spacious. It appears even more expansive because of the high arched ceiling, which was a rare and interesting part of the old school room. Mr. Morrill succeeded in making the most of limited space by emphasizing that exceptional feature. In its dignified simplicity, there is that inexpressible charm that ever abides with things built to endure and that comes down to us bearing associations of another day when life was simpler.

In this room there is an impress of fineness, harmony, fitness, the arrangement showing most careful thought and studied plan. Antique rugs cover in luxurious fashion the oak floor of broad, random width boards, mellowed with age and polished by long years of use. Unusual and odd pieces of comfortable old furniture invite one to stay once he has entered its hospitable door.

The somber textured walls form a correct background for several hand-some wall panels of ancient design and make. Colorful antique hangings of decided richness with other equally adaptable furnishings bring color and fine sense of comfort and livability. Skill in placement and manner of use prevents the appearance of crowding which one instinctively expects when entering so small a home.

And then there is the porch—a valuable part of the house, but most unassuming in style and structure. Surely the art of adapting simple things (continued on page 184)



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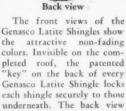
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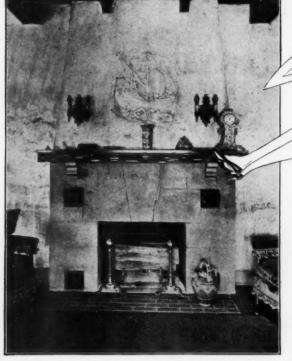
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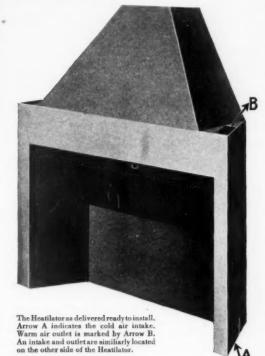
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Finding a home in a deserted schoolhouse

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delightfully is here expressed in substantial and practical manner. Because the porch faces on the garden side, a fine seclusion is obtained which makes of it an excellent dining room. There is a dull red-tiled floor, and built-in flower boxes of stone-rough stucco outline all of the outer edge. Filled with growing and blossoming plants, the garden is brought into the house to lend an atmosphere of home-like comfort.

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When the season warms, and beauty comes again to the outside world, the living room and the porch adjoining are opened to the garden. An additional feeling of size is thus given to this diminutive but altogether perfect house. Leading from the street to the main entrance there is an irregular path of stepping stones.

Altogether satisfactory has been this home making adventure, as all such ventures may be if one will but make use of simple things and be content with comfort rather than display.

If you have no fireplace

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accessories having a common purpose. If a room lacks such a center of interest, it gives the impression of being inhospitable.

In planning any room, the first thing to consider is the background. This is particularly important in the room which lacks a fireplace, for the warmth which has thus been lost must be supplied by the walls, the windows, and furnishings. Choose wall coverings or papers with backgrounds of buff, yellow, or salmon pink for rooms with northern exposures, and warm gray, yellow-green, or blue for southern. Paint the woodwork white or the same color as the walls; the latter scheme, by eliminating a network of wood trim lines, helps to give a feeling of spaciousness and restfulness to a small room. If the ceiling is low, it should be the same color as the walls, or just a shade lighter; this is a great help in giving the effect of height.

In a room without a fireplace, the principal grouping is usually along the longest wall space, though this may often be varied very effectively by placing it under a window.

The most popular center for any group of visitors is usually a couch or divan. This may be placed against a long wall space, under a long, low window, or in a corner, though this last arrangement is likely to have a somewhat cramped and huddled appearance. If the room is very large, or the divan is the miniature size made for apartments, it may be placed at right angles to a window, with a long narrow table back of it. Such an arrangement would have no special point unless there were something worth looking at outside the window. In a room one side of which is lined with bookshelves, the divan may sometimes be placed against the shelves, even if it obscures a few of the books.

To right and left of the couch, and

To right and left of the couch, and partially facing it as though drawn up for intimate conversation, should be at least two comfortable chairs, and at one end should be a table big enough to hold a lamp, a few books and magazines, and possibly a vase of flowers, even if they are only artificial ones, as flowers do a great deal to supply cheer where there is no fireplace and should be lavishly used. A small taboret to hold smoking paraphernalia or a tea tray is a necessary detail of comfort, and so is a

small footstool in front of one of the big chairs, because of the effect of cordiality and ease which it supplies. An extra feeling of warmth may be given to this grouping by a second lamp, probably a floor lamp.

An angular, ranged-against-the-wall feeling in a room may sometimes be avoided, and an air of cheerful informality supplied by using a chaise longue, instead of a divan, as the center of a group, flanked on one side by a tea table and on the other by a little stand to hold a few books. A similar interesting grouping for a library would be to have a chaise longue, lamp, and small table in front of a corner whose walls were lined with bookshelves. Even to one who does not give much time to reading, they impart a sense of comradeship. A room lined with books never seems so lonely as one which has none; they retain for the room, even in his absence, some of the personality of the owner.

In such a room the window or windows should always be featured. Side curtains should be warm in color, and if the shades have to be drawn at night, they also should be a solid color to harmonize with the walls (instead of being white or cream) or glazed chintz in a gay design. A window seat is a great dispenser of cheer, but if one is lacking, it is generally found that a divan is effective placed under the window, or sometimes a small desk or table with books and a vase of flowers. In a bedroom it is a good plan to place a low dressing table under the windows, as this arrangement throws the light on the face.

light on the face.

Aside from the idea of proper grouping to give cheer and intimacy, there are several other accessories and articles of furniture which can be effectively used to counteract the lack of a fireplace. Lamps, flowers, books, and bright-colored window trimmings have already been mentioned. To these may be added, first and foremost, vividly colored wall hangings and screens. The use of bright lengths of brocade, India prints, shawls, and framed panels of scenic papers as backgrounds for divans or hangings above consoles or beds is becoming continually more marked. In the same way a vivid screen may add warmth to a corner or give an intimate feeling when placed at one

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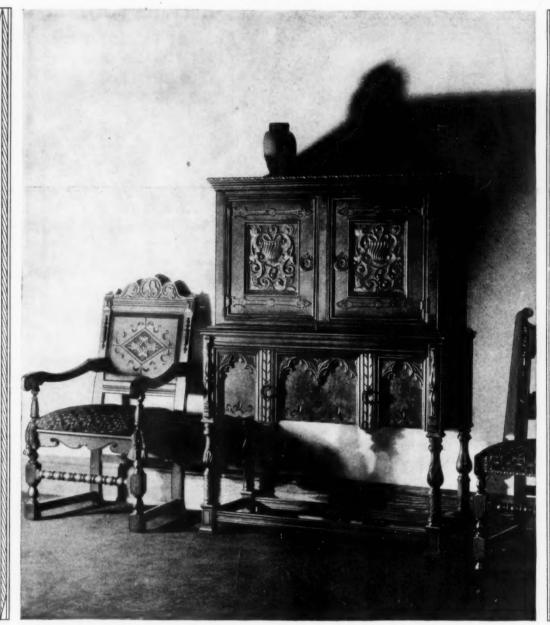
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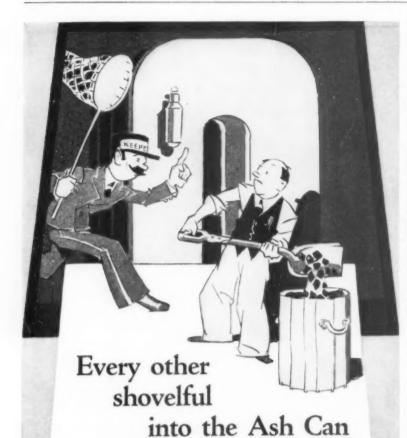
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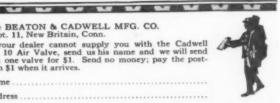
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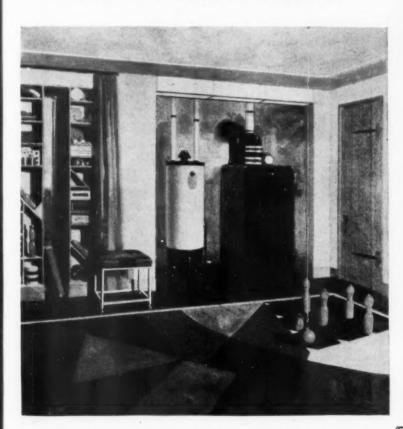
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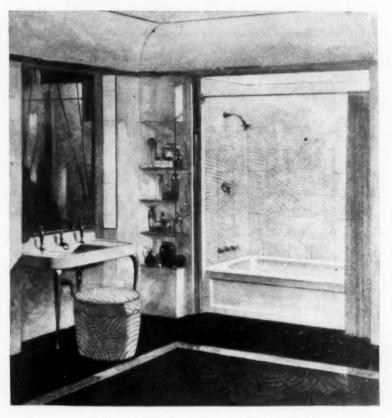


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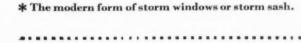
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Some common faults in house plans

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ERRORS IN THE PLANS OF THE MUDDLED HOUSE

Sun Porch. Absurd as it may seem, the placing of the sun-porch on the north side of the house is a common error. Many builders think that the porch should be on the front of the house: therefore, if the street runs east and west and the house is on the south side, the porch is usually built on the north end regardless of the points of the compass.

Living Room. Entering directly into the living room without the protection of a vestibule on the north end of the house is in most parts of the country a very bad feature.

Very often as in this case the living room is made too long for its width. It is best to make the proportion of width to length as two is to three.

Another mistake is made here. The fireplace and the book-cases on each side are on the south wall of the house, and prevent the installation of large windows to get sunlight into the room in the winter months. It is advisable to put the fireplace on the cold side of the room.

The stairs which start from the living room are rather bad, for anyone in the kitchen cannot get up to the second floor to dress without being seen by visitors seated in the room.

Dining Room. This room should always be placed, if possible, on the east side, so that in the winter months the morning sun shines in. As shown on the plan, it would be cold and dismal at breakfast time.

Kitchen. The biggest mistake made here, and one that is very common, is placing the kitchen so that it cannot have cross drafts. With only one window it will be hot and stuffy. Kitchens should be located on the corner of the house or in a separate wing to permit windows in adjoining or opposite walls.

The stove, too, is badly placed in a hot corner.

The sink is badly lighted. Daylight and artificial light are at the back of the worker.

The entrance from the outside to the kitchen is crowded, and the door swings in the wrong direction.

The refrigerator ought to go in the kitchen and near the dining room where it can be reached easily.

Den. The den illustrates a type of stuffy room which is common. Although it is on the corner, advantage of this has not been taken. Instead of one window on the south side, there should be another on the west.

Main Stairway. These stairs are four feet wide, but when the platform is reached the width decreases to two and a half feet across the latter. This is a common mistake. It gives a crowded appearance. Platforms should always be as wide as the stairs.

The dormer window which lights the stairs is much above the level of the platform and being in a recess it suggests the lighting of a dungeon.

The closet which is built over the stairs either will have to have its floor lifted about four feet or else it will cut off the head room of the

Stairs to Attic. They should have a door across them to keep the warm air of the house, in the winter, from being lost up through them.

As they are arranged now, they would land up against the roof and not in the attic. A large dormer would have to be built in the roof to give head room at the attic floor. This afterthought is commonly seen and many a house is ruined in appearance by an ungainly dormer on the roof to include the attic steps.

Hall. One of the places where much space is wasted in small houses is in the arrangement of hallways. When you realize that you pay from fifty to seventy five cents per cubic foot for your house, to spend money for waste

hall space is very bad economy.

The absurdly shallow closet at the end is another bit of bad planning. Lights on the side walls of a hall are bad, for they get many bumps.

Bathroom Opposite Bedroom No. 1. On entering, the door slams against the lavatory.

This fixture is very poorly lighted. One's back is lighted by daylight or artificial light, which is not recommended to those who use razors.

The toilet, instead of being under the window where it is well ventilated is stuck in the corner.

The bath tub under the window makes it difficult to open or shut the window, to say nothing of the cold drafts upon one's back while taking a bath in the winter.

Bedroom No. 1. The shape can hardly be recommended, nor is it very convenient to reach around the back of the door in a dark room to find the switch to turn on the light.

The radiator takes up the only available wall space for the dresser, if the bed is stuffed into the corner under the sloping ceiling.

The diagonal corner closet is both ugly and inefficient.

Bedroom No. 2. This bed room represents one of those stuffy old things you may have suffered in during hot nights. The ventilation is very bad and in this particular room you would have to sleep on the floor, for no place has been left for the bed.

The tunnel-like passage to the bathroom would be absurd, especially since the door could not be opened because it would hit the sloping ceil-

The switch is again behind the door and the closet door opens in the wrong direction.

Bedroom No. 3. The shape is absurd, but I have seen many just as stupid.

The door into the closet is too narrow. The radiators take up valuable

wall space.

Bedroom No. 3's Bathroom. This is not so bad, except that the lavatory is badly lighted, and there is probably no place for the tank at the back of the water closet.

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Transforming our radiators

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surprising exactitude. There is sometimes a slight additional charge for grain finish in preference to flat finish. A marbleized surface, so well done these days that it has replaced real marble except in the most sumptuous of homes, is more expensive than other surfaces.

There is a seeming discrepancy in prices quoted by reliable firms, which is not always understood by the purchaser. One firm will have shields listed from five dollars up, with enclosures from twenty dollars up. The next will quote shields from ten dollars, enclosures from thirty-five dollars. The chief cause of this variation is a difference in the process of enameling. Some enclosures are finished by a "spray and force dry" lacquer which permits the application of numerous coats within a period of a few minutes and gives a lustrous, and, for many purposes, satisfactory surface. Others are finished in baked enamel similar to the original surface of an automobile, which will neither chip nor crack and may be considered thoroughly permanent under almost all conditions. These have from four to eight coats of enamel, and as each coat represents a day's time there is an appreciable difference in price.

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When you buy your shields or enclosures, see that they are equipped with humidifying pans, to rest on the upper surface of the radiator. These are said to increase the relative humidity by thirty per cent and doctors agree in recommending them. One firm places the pan well to the front of the enclosure, forcing the air over the surface of the hot water. Particles of dirt become heavy with moisture and drop into the pan instead

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This whole question of radiators is one which deserves careful consideration, not only in its decorative aspects but on the practical side, for temperatures must be maintained at a proper level if one is to enjoy health, no matter how beautiful may be the surroundings.

A small house for a small sum

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Let us first take a look at the place as a whole. Its exterior shows it to be a small, low cottage built of native stone with wooden shutters, a rubble stone chimney, and a roof of tapestry shingles. Below it lies a beautiful panorama of Connecticut shore line, hills, and valleys. A visitor would judge that its cost far exceeded the figures given. In detail the walls are of double-faced stone laid with one-third mortar. The entrance door is double-sheathed, and the shutters single-sheathed. Native rock from the plot on which the house was built or from nearby farms was used throughout the construction.

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The furniture is of pine, given a natural stain and rubbed down. The fireplace bench seat was designed to serve a threefold purpose. The back swings reversibly, leaving it a matter of choice whether one sits facing the fire or the opposite side of the room. The lower part of the seat is used as a wood box.

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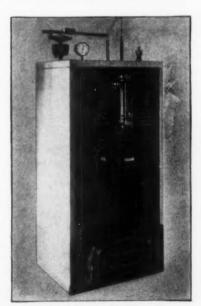
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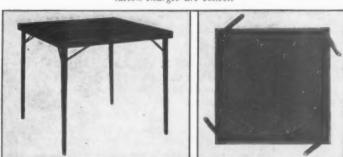
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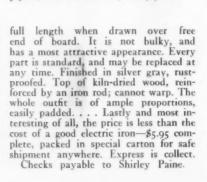
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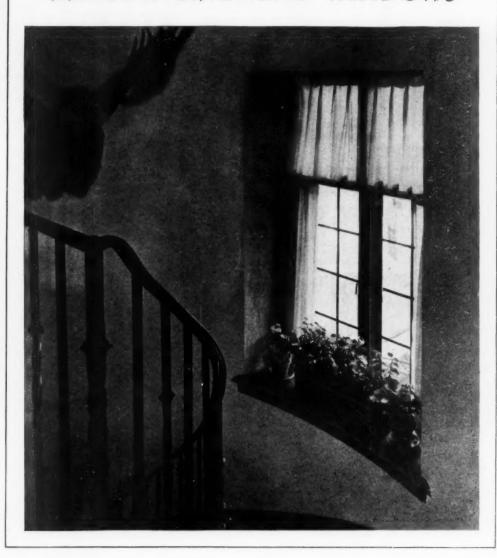
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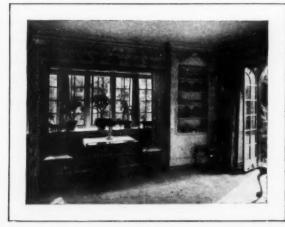
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is but little wall decoration, and where rather severe pieces of furniture are used, the placing of these modern iron flower stands becomes of superior importance. They may be considered a part of the decorating scheme and serve as a vital part of the furnishing of the room. In place of the painted metal pots, earthenware or glass bowls may be used, and some of the Japanese water plants, or other foliage plant of that type, may be substituted for the Ivy.

Similar stands are made in wood, and there are many small ones with one or two pots, which because of size and construction fall in the less-than-five-dollars class. The iron ones, of course, with their imported pots and because of the construction materials as well as the design command from ten to thirty dollars, and they are worth it. There are, however, some iron ones of simple designs that may be bought for less than five dollars.

Wall brackets are more popular than ever, for while some of these are also Spanish or Italian, of iron and tile, there are also French provincial brackets of carved and gilded wood, as well as similar brackets from other sources. Many simple ones at dollar or two apiece are available. These are effective in rooms of widely varying style and purpose. One may be used between two windows, or pair used at either side of a buffet or serving table, two or three stepped along the wall above the stairs is a pleasant way to bring greenery into the hall, or one may be centered under the small window opening off the stair. On such brackets a flower pot may stand, or a low bowl or dish containing Ivy or some vine. Often a small apartment will admit no other kind of floral decoration but one or a pair of these little brackets, which may be hung on the wall taking no floor space and very little of the wall.

But the small apartment as well as the suburban house and other homes will find plentiful use for the new flower pots, bowls, and jars. The new Holland pottery in orange color finds an immediate response wherever bold color and good design are ap-The fine examples of preciated. American-made pottery are in great variety of color this winter, and a very obvious effort has been made create interesting shapes in sympathy with the modernist movement as well as in many period interpretations. There are Spanish and Italian faïence pots and bowls, many amusing jars and pots from Germany, Bohemia, Japan, China, and Sweden. The colors and designs are in keeping with our trend in wall papers and our newest decorating textiles. Gone are the foolish old jardinières which were as bad for the fern inside as for the æsthetic sensibilities of the observer. These new pots and jars are sufficient unto themselves as objects of beauty and they are excellently devised as holders of plants, either disguising a homely brown pot inside, or holding the earth and roots direct.

Some of these come in sets, from very tiny pots to hold a saucy little Cactus to a large bowl for Fern. They are round, square, or oblong, with or without legs, and able to stand alone or to fit into one of the smart new iron racks. They cost so little (from fifty cents up) that no matter what our house garden budget for the winter, we may find a stand, a bracket, a window box, a jar, or some of all of them to fit our purse. They are undeniably varied enough to fit our decorating schemes and our multicolored taste.

The gardens which stand on their own legs, namely the movable iron stands, racks, and window boxes are more and more important as decorative features, not only in the sunroom (for which they were originally intended) and for the living room, but in the other rooms of the house, too.

When summer comes these various indoor holders may be carried out to a porch or terrace and take their places with the stands and pots full of Nasturtiums and the other summer blooming favorites.

One more excuse for the existence of these new pots and stands . . . Christmas is coming, and if there is anything nicer as a gift to the house than a growing plant and an appropriate, easily cared for holder, we have yet to find it.

Many of the handsomest iron stands have been copied in inexpensive models in a lighter weight iron as well as in wood, and in the latter painting and applied decoration have been added to enhance their appeal to the eye. Some of the wooden stands are priced at a dollar or less. The fine wall brackets also have been duplicated in simple iron brackets for one small pot, priced at a dollar or a few cents less, while painted wooden brackets may be found at the five-and-ten-cent store or what is almost as good, unpainted wooden ones, with the little cans of paint and the brushes near by. Silent advisers to paint your own.

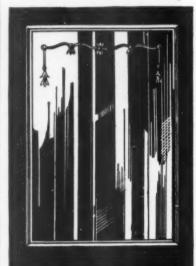
Such unpainted stands and brackets may be stained and varnished to match woodwork, or painted, enameled and touched with gilding in imitation of Old Italian and Oriental brackets. The color may be chosen as with the stained bracket to match woodwork, or to match wall color or wall paper, or to echo some tint less prominent in the decorating scheme. Flower pots of the common variety, the humble five-and-ten-cent varieties, may be painted any color to match brackets or the painted iron stands on which they are placed, or to harmonize with a decorative tile on which they rest.

Little gardens for the dining-room table are more and more popular, and as in former years these tend toward the Oriental in both container and garden. Flat, Chinese, or Japanese pottery bowls, with little foliage water plants are sufficient, or a decorative porcelain or bronze bird, arbor, or little temple may stand in the dish, the figure perforated with holes for cut flowers.

Such gardens may rest on a window ledge or seat when not on the dining table, or embellish the latter between meals. While some florists are showing flat dishes of Cacti and growing plants for the same uses, it is usually better to have only water plants or cut flowers.



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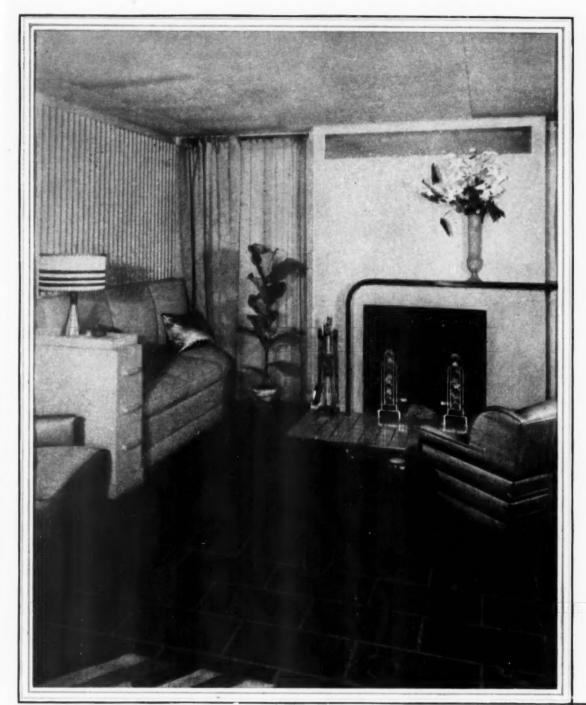
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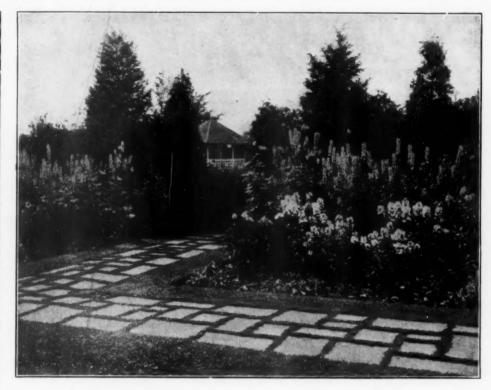
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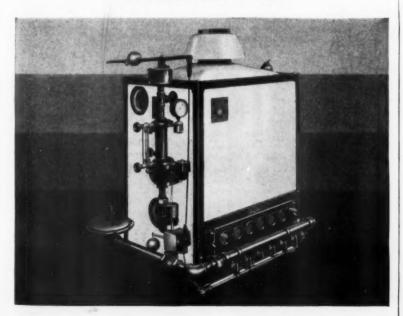
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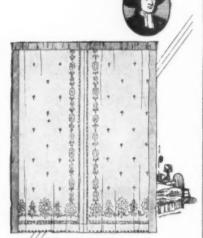
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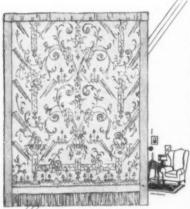
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Roses want a mellow, loamy soil and good feeding; beds twelve to fifteen inches deep. Where the soil is naturally sandy, as in most of Florida, add clay and well-rotted manure; where there is already clay, add sand and manure. Radiance, Red Radiance, and Louis Philippe are the favorites. The last is so popular through Florida that it is often called the Florida Rose. It is best to prune the tops at planting time. Fertilizer is necessary: bonemeal, one pound to a bush when set, mixed thoroughly with the soil around the bush.

Cuttings from Roses will take root readily during the fall and winter months. Hibiscus, Oleanders, and a number of other shrubs also root easily from cuttings.

Fall is the time to transplant Azaleas. They may be moved at any time in the fall and winter, even when in full flower. They are shallow rooted, and the ground should be mulched instead of cultivated for their growth. Straw, Spanish moss or Oak leaves, heaped around them, hold the moisture and promote growth.

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Poinsettias are the kings of the winter garden, and bloom from

Thanksgiving on, unless they are touched by frost. They will bloom at a time when Roses are rare, and color is needed in the garden. Red Salvias are favorites, too, for this reason, and Florida has hedges of its bright bloom. The Poinsettias are trimmed back in March, after their blooming season is over, and the cuttings taken at this time will be ready for bloom the next fall.

The yellow Jasmine blooms in January and February, and its sprays of green are lovely all the year. Cadena de Amor, the Chain of Love, blooms in rose sprays over walls and trees and fences, continuing from spring until frost. It is generally cut back every winter to allow for the new growth, but in some of the older gardens, semi-protected, it is never cut, and blooms much of the year.

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The furniture in the room (this is the small room) should be grouped for comfort and livability. An easy chair and small magazine table facing the piano from the opposite wall, a comfortable sofa or davenport against the wall at the other end of the room. and another comfortable chair with its almost essential accompaniment of bookstand or smoking table near the davenport. The center of the small room must necessarily be clear, with no table to cut it into still smaller Bookshelves may be built along the walls under the windows, or low bookcases located at these spots, with perhaps a hanging bookshelf on the wall over the sofa or a pair of narrow shelves between the windows. Another bridge or floor lamp should stand beside the reading chair, with a table lamp near the sofa.

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The decorative value of music

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Mitigating winter's severities

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Poppy, Sedum Forget-me-not, Oriental Balloon-flower, Pyrethrum, Oriental in some varieties, and so called Sealavender (Statice).

The best guide to hardiness is the local growers. They seldom offer for sale varieties that will not thrive in their locality.

There is a great variety of shrubs from which to choose. Some (the Lilac, for example) seem to thrive exceptionally well in this climate. Many recent introductions from China will doubtless prove hardy here as soon as they become available.

One of the most important requirements for winter hardiness is that the plants must not go into the winter dry—that is they must not "freeze dry." If the fall is dry between the early frosts and the final freeze of winter, see that the trees, shrubs, and the perennial borders get a most thorough soaking. Of course, they should not freeze in a pool of water, but the soil should be well supplied with moisture. Experience shows this to be an important phase of winter protection, not only in cold climates, but quite generally. Watch out carefully this year, wherever there has been a marked summer drought.

Winter protection in most cases means just enough covering to prevent alternate freezing and thawing in the early spring or during unexpected thaws in the winter-and no more! In my own experience, the coarse wild hay, such as is used for packing glassware proved most satisfactory for the perennial borders. I used just a light covering and held it in place with some branches, evergreen boughs, and light strips of wood.

Roses are a distinct problem in severe climates, and the climbers must be laid down, covered with eight inches to a foot of soil, then a layer of hay or straw, and over this a final covering of waterproof tar-paper to keep them dry. This covering must not be put on till late, just about the final thing before the freeze. There are two ways to handle the bush Roses. They may be laid down and covered as suggested for the climbers or dug up entirely and wintered in a pit or trench. In recent years the latter practice has gained greatly in favor. Dig the trench about three feet deep, put in a few inches of ashes, sand or gravel in the bottom to insure perfect drainage if the soil is the least bit heavy, then dig the Roses with some soil left around their roots. stack them in the trench, somewhat slanting as you would in "heeling in," and fill in around with loose, fairly light soil. The entire bush should be about eighteen inches below the surface. Fill the hole in completely, working the fine soil in all around the plants, mounding up the soil to drain off excess water.

The annuals are vitally important in cold sections but provisions must be made to start them inside or they will hardly get well established before the time for early frosts. There are none of the annuals that may not be used here. Start seeds early, say February or March, either indoors or outside in hotbeds. If you can not bother with either of these methods. buy your seeds early-February is a time-and take them to the local florist who will doubtless be willing to start them and bring them along in flats of about one hundred plants each.

Water gardens are very satisfactory in cold sections as the water warms up as quickly as the soil. The difficulty has been to build a pool equal to the strain put upon it by three to eight feet of frost. I solved the problem for myself by building one in the shape of a saucer with sloping sides, making it of concrete six inches thick with expanded metal lath in the center for reinforcing. The cement mixture was one part cement; three parts sharp, clean sand; and five parts gravel, well mixed and thoroughly tamped in place. Beneath the pool I placed a three-inch layer of sand, firmly packed, to insure perfect drainage. I took my Waterlily roots into the cellar after hard freezing killed the leaves and left the water in the pool all winter. With its saucerlike shape, it could freeze to the bottom with no danger of injury.

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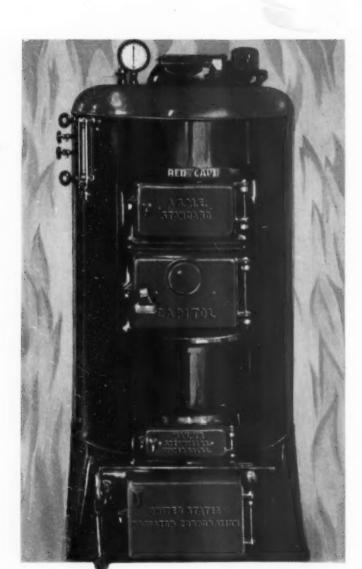
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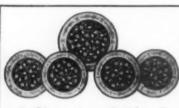
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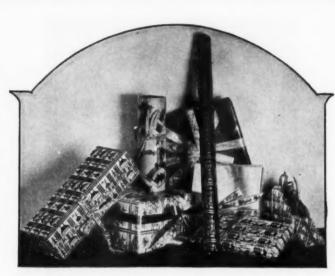
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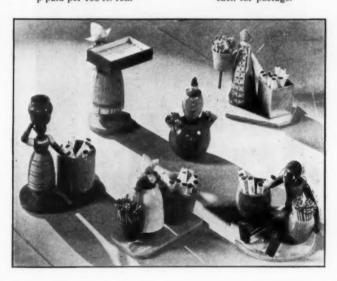
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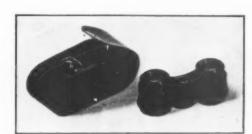


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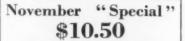
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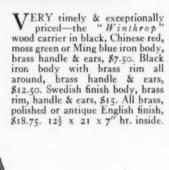
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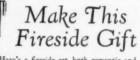
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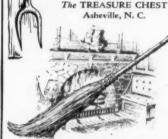




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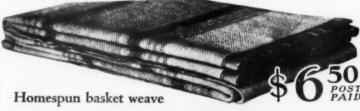
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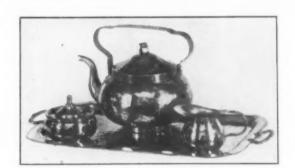
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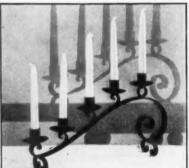
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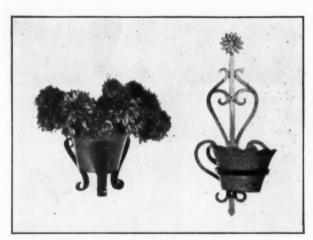


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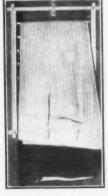
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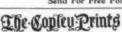
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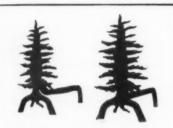


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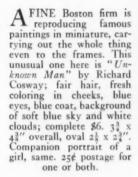


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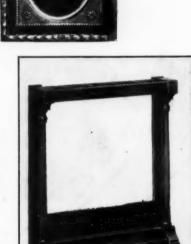
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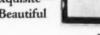


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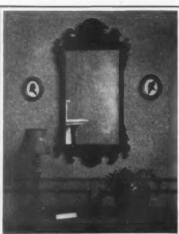
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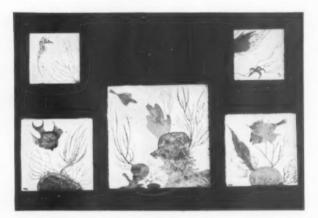
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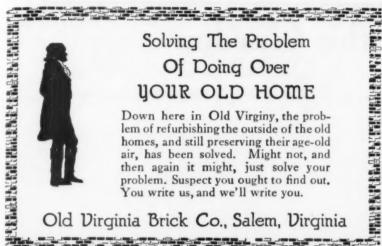
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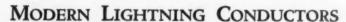
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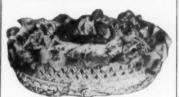


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In and About the Garden





OLLOWING a radio talk on "Keeping the Cut Flowers Fresh" which I recently made from station WEAF in New York City, I received so many comments and so large a number of requests for copies of the talk that I feel satisfied that in printing it here I am meeting a real need.

It is all very well to know something about the growing of flowers but the gardener should certainly give some thought as to how to make the best use of what has been grown. Flowers in the living room, on the dinner table, or on the porch, always give a welcome note

of life and light.

One of the big problems that Madame faces as soon as she tries to use the flowers indoors is the difficulty of keeping them alive. They fade or wilt so quickly! This wilting is nothing more nor less than the loss of water. That is why we plunge the stalks of cut flowers into water as soon as possible after they are picked. But the keeping qualities of flowers differ. Some are quite easy to handle, and the others are not. Poppies, for instance, are likely to fall very quickly and Lilies will endure for a long time.

THERE are some general principles which will help you to the better enjoyment of any of the flowers and will make them last longer. To begin with, the most important thing of all is to cut them (and notice I say cut the flowers, not pick) in the very early morning or late in the evening. A flower gathered at mid-day is likely to wilt quickly, and you may not be able to revive it. The best method is to gather the flowers in the early morning before the sun has gained any power and when the plant tissues have been thoroughly loaded with water during the cool hours of the night. In other words, cut the flowers when the stems are turgid. That is perhaps the most important rule of all.

When you go out to cut flowers take a knife rather than shears. A sharp, clean cut that does not bruise the delicate tissues permits the water to enter the stems and facilitates absorption; whereas a ragged torn edge not only prevents absorption but also offers undue facilities for bacteria to start fermentation and per-

haps a rot of the stem.

Now when you cut the flowers, have ready as handy as possible a large tub or pail, with plenty of water in it, so that the flowers can be plunged into water right up to their necks. Once get them loaded in that way and they will endure a lot of exposure afterwards. Remember then to plunge your flowers into water

up to the very base of the flower and postpone the final arrangement in any kind of display until they have had an hour or two to fill themselves with water in this manner in a cool place, not exposed

If the flowers be gathered late in the day, they can be comfortably left in water all through the night and will be all the better for it. Keep them in a humid rather than a dry room and never in sunshine. So you see, the whole problem of keeping the flower alive after it is cut is one of getting the stem behind it thoroughly filled with water. While this is being done have the temperature if possible 45 degrees or lower. Use a container that is sufficiently wide at the top to let the air enter freely.

HEN your flowers are ready for use, and even before, if it is convenient, it is well to remove any leaves from that part of the stem which will be in the water. This not only gives more freedom in arrangement but as some leaves are likely to decay very easily their removal helps considerably in keeping the flowers fresh for a longer time. Some flowers are worse than others in this matter, but Asters, Zinnias, Wallflowers, and Chrysanthemums are very bad. Always pick off any submerged leaves of those flowers.

After you have gathered the flowers and filled them with water and got through the first day, of course, you will want to keep them in condition as long as possible. Keeping cut flowers alive is indeed a problem and all kinds of tricks and nostrums have been recommended. Take it by and large, there is nothing better than pure, clean, fresh water. You can help flowers of woody plants by peeling back the bark on the hard stem to a distance of an inch or so Chrysanthemums, Lilacs, and Azaleas, for instance. But for the great majority of plants the best thing is simply to take the stems out of the water each day, cut back a little bit, again being sure to use a sharp knife, not scissors, and refill the vessel, and then put the stems back

Some flowers that are hard to keep alive any length of time are curiously enough helped by a hot water treatment at the beginning. Poppies, Heliotrope, Mignonette, Dahlias, Poinsettias, will last much longer if they are given a hot water treatment. Put the stems in boiling water for a moment and then plunge at once into cold water. Of course, you must take care that the flowers themselves are not steamed in this process. This hot water treatment seals up the ends of the vessels and prevents the downward flow of sap and at the same time permits the absorption of water through the outer surface of the stems themselves in

the parts higher up.

You can often revive wilted flowers by cutting the stem end, plunging deeply into water, and putting in a cool, dark place for nearly the whole day-ten hours at least; and in some cases a hot water treatment is effective, particularly with Dahlias. In that case you put the stems into hot, not boiling, water for half an hour in a dark place and then change to cool water.

If the flower has thin petals, do not plunge the entire flower under water, but thick petaled flowers can stand it.

The use of various chemicals in the water has often been recommended, and particularly of late we have been told that aspirin dissolved in the water will keep flowers alive. Well, it is true. and it isn't true. It acts favorably with some flowers but not with all. The keeping of cut flowers has been made the subject of research by the Department of Horticulture of the Michigan State College, and it was found that in most cases the disinfecting properties of whatever has been recommended have really been the pivot on which its use was based. Charcoal, for instance, will help to keep the water fresh for a considerable time.

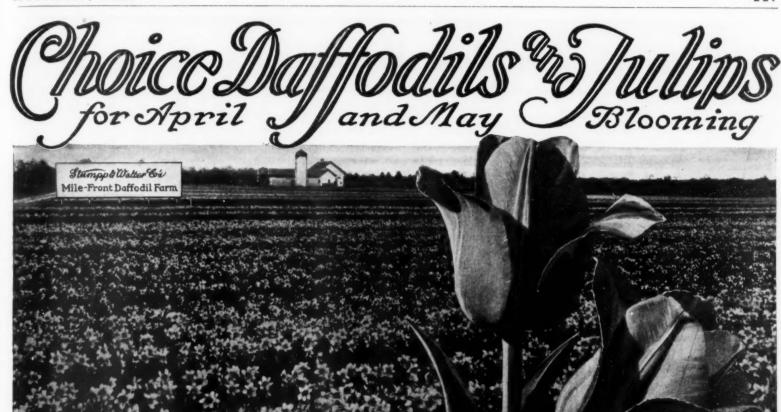
FERY small additions (please note, very small) of salt, camphor, ammonia, listerine, formaldehyde, and sulphurous acid are effective in preventing the growth of bacteria in the water, but the actual reaction in lengthening the life of the flowers concerned has not been found to be worth the trouble involved,

as a general rule.

Chemicals that have been decidedly beneficial are boric acid one-tenth of one per cent., that is, one-half teaspoonful to two quarts of water, improved the keeping of Carnations from three to seven days. That was without cutting the stems or changing the water. Aspirin, one-half tablet to two quarts of water helped Chrysanthemums and Dahlias, but nothing else. One tenth of one per cent. permanganate of potash also helped. The most effective agent in keeping Asters was a one per cent. solution of cane sugar, one teaspoonful to a quart of water.

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Garden Reminders

TIMELY HINTS FOR NOVEMBER

By I. GEORGE QUINT

HILL winds are blowing; and gardening operations

are becoming fewer and fewer. Flowers in northern

gardens have withered, and most of our vegetables have

been harvested. This is the month for winter preparation. Bulbs should be taken up and put away for the winter,

The gardener who misses the opportunity to prepare

An excellent way to make a compost heap that will be

ready for use in the spring without objectionable odor is

to use a layer of soil at the bottom, then sprinkle a little

lime over the earth, next a layer of manure, then another

layer of soil. On that place a heavy layer of leaves and

other garden waste, and above that another thin layer of

manure. If you still have some garden trash left, put some

soil over this manure and then the garden material.

Above it all place more soil. You will then be assured of a

good compost heap for use in the spring. When warm

weather comes again, a little acid phosphate may be used

much for them to do. Seeds of hardy annuals may still be

planted, and the gardener who neglects to do some late

October or early November seed planting will be envious

of his neighbor when the plants begin to come up and

depend on house plants for their pleasure, this is a month

of activity, whether one lives in the North, South, East

House plants should be thoroughly washed. Plants

with broad leaves may be gone over with a sponge soaked

in soapy water. Rub the leaves well, and give them a thor-

ough cleaning. Ferns, and other plants with fine leaves,

may be sprayed with a soap-and-water solution

For those who do not have outdoor gardens but who

Garden lovers on the West coast find November has

to get rid of fly maggots.

bear flowers next spring.

a good compost for spring is not taking full advantage of his garden. Leaves, branches, and all rakings should be

root vegetables must be stored, and coldframes aired.

piled together and a little lime mixed with the pile.

In gardening a date can only be approximated. Generally the latitude of forty degrees at sea level and a normal season is taken as standard. Roughly, the season advances or recedes fifteen miles a day, thus Albany would be about ten days later than New York (which is latitude 42).

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NORTH

The Flower Garden. Last call for getting spring bulbs into the ground. Do it before the ground freezes. Keep mulch available, though it probably won't be necessary to put it on yet. But use mulch as soon as earth freezes.

Lift plants that cannot stand heavy frost, and put them in the

If you didn't cover Roses and hill up the ground last

month, you had better do it now before it is too late. Put straw around the roots.

Plant Sweet-peas now. They will have time to germinate but not make growth before heavy frost sets in. Cover with

The Vegetable Garden. Lift root crops and store for the winter.

It is important to get September-sown Cabbage into the coldframe at once.

Cabbage which already is headed should be put in trenches, upside down, and should then be covered with straw, burlap or leaves.

Bank Celery.

Give Asparagus beds winter dressing.

Lift Parsnips and Salsify.

Miscellaneous. Cut away old wood and mulch Blackberries

Get mulch ready for Strawberries, to be used as soon as ground is frozen.

Put mound of dirt around young trees, and if trees have just been planted, give them support by stakes.

Trim dead wood from fruit trees.

If not too cold, Apple trees and Pear trees may still be put in. During the first two weeks this month you may still plant Give lawn top dressing.

Prune Grapes.

Give house plants attention, washing leaves with soapy water. Give the plants a little bonemeal.

Spray Apple trees for scale. Take cuttings of Begonias.

SOUTH

The Flower Garden. Put coldframes in order.

Seeds of flowers recommended for sowing last month may be planted now, too.

Hyacinth, Tulip, Anemone and Narcissus bulbs may still be planted.

Pot some bulbs for winter forcing.

Stake Sweet-peas which were planted in late summer or early

fall. Sow some more seeds.

After Chrysanthemums have blossomed cut back the stalks.

Transplant annuals sown in September and early October.

Get Pansies into the cold-

Get Gladiolus bulbs out of the soil.

Hedges may now be started.

The Vegetable Garden. Sow late Cabbage seed.

Sow Peas, Turnips, Radishes, and Mustard.

Get Cucumbers into hotbeds.

Continue sowing Spinach, Beets, Parsley, Endive, and Carrots. Bank Celery.

Miscellaneous. Set out Strawberry plants.

Take cuttings. Put them in pots which you have ready, if you followed suggestions for October.

Prepare land for planting fruit trees. Plow deeply. Get ready for planting next month.

THE WEST COAST

Continue to plant Anemone and Ranunculus.

Set out Japanese Iris.

Continue to plant Magnolias.

Start Honeysuckle vines.

hardy annuals outdoors.

After Tuberous Begonias have finished blooming take them up and put them in sand.

Take up Gladiolus bulbs, also Dahlias and Cannas.

Pile up leaves and branches for leaf mold.

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Good tools are worth keeping good

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a buffing wheel turned at high speed with some emery powder on it will be the best to put on a highly polished surface that will "scour" when used.

Broken wooden parts can be glued together carefully, and when the glue has set, if varnish is put over it, moisture will not reach the joint. Medium cotton cord wrapped about such a repair will be even better. This is also covered with varnish. If the break is square across, a piece of tin, bent tightly about the break after the glue has been applied, and held with small brads, will quite often form a very satisfactory repair.

A new view of garden color

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blue. The vibratory rate of reflected rays determines the color which the wondrous mechanism of the eye beholds. The lowest rate of visible ray vibration, which is at the rate of four hundred and fifty billion vibrations per second, produces a sensation of deep red. Below that are the infrared rays which we cannot see, but which we are conscious of in part through the presence of heat rays. The most rapid rays which the eye can see as color are violet. They vibrate at about seven hundred and ninety billion per second. Beyond the violet rays are the ultra-violet rays, demonstrable by science, but not seen as color by the eye. Colors range through the spectrum from one extreme to the other, varying with the rate of vibration.

Vibrations of a much lower rate per second are found in the musical scale. These vibrations are received and interpreted by the mechanism of the ear. From the lowest bass notes the musical scale grades upward through all vibrations we can differentiate as tones. Combination of these tones makes music.

Can we then say that we have a "color scale" in the graduated vibrations of the spectrum, and that color music can be made by the combination of these "color tones" to produce good harmony?

Pure colors are full-toned and without the mixture of white or black. Shades are the muted tones where blacks or grays have been added to a pure color. Tints are colors to which has been added white, thus diluting the force of the color, making it light and airy.

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If we are to follow out this idea of producing "color music," then colors, shades, and tints should be used as are instruments in an orchestra. In combination they must build up to support a certain definite expression of an idea; and this idea in the garden is the design, theme, plan, or whatever term you may know it by.

In the orchestra there are the string choir, composed of violins, violas, 'cellos, and bass viols; the woodwind choir, which contains the clarinets, flutes, oboes, bassoons, English horns, and related instruments; the brass choir of trumpets, horns, trombones, and tubas; and finally the percussion instruments, such as drums and tympani. In the "color orchestra" there is the choir of reds that grade out from

the deep-toned velvety reds barely seen as color, to the fiery cherry-red of hot iron; the choir of yellows, which blend from orange to the yellow-greens; there is the middle ground choir of color, the green, which is a combination of yellow and blue, and finally there is the pure blue and violet choir.

In orchestral composition one choir may take the theme, another the accompaniment, while a third is developing a counter theme. Whatever the composition may be, there is reasonable balance in tone intensity, No choir overpowers another. If it does, disharmonious "muddiness" creeps into the rendition of a masterpiece, or tones of lesser strength are blotted out by louder sounds.

It is my belief that here is a basic principle which applies to color design in the garden. Balance color intensity. This done, color harmony will take care of itself.

Primary reds, blues, and yellows, with the ever-present green, may be placed with each other without fear of color clash, if their power is balanced. If tints and shades are the type of color needed in the garden to work out the idea embodied in the basic design, then shades and tints should be used to the practical exclusion of the stronger colors.

Carrying this idea a step farther it is easy to see that gardens made only of pale pinks, blues of low power, or of lavenders may be compared to the music of a string quartette. There are masterpieces of chamber music. And there may be exquisite gardens in which there are nothing but the subdued tones of tints and shades.

But when using color remember that there must be balance in color strength to produce harmony. Unbalanced color, color used without a sense of fitness and good taste, color in which a force is set up without a counter-force in the garden design to counteract it is the condition which has produced discords in color and has brought so much discussion of "color schemes."

Do not look upon color as a field of design which cannot be understood. which must be treated reverentially as something beyond comprehension. Nor should one worship it as a fetish. Command it. Make it a part of the whole. Bring it under control by balancing color force against color force, making the plan a part of the design.



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Using bulbs for early indoor bloom

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"forced," although it is generally applied to the growing of bulbs indoors under house conditions, is, in this use, incorrect. They are not, or should not be "forced," but merely grown indoors a few weeks or months in advance of their natural season for blooming out of doors. Almost all of the bulbs satisfactory for indoor winter bloom flower out of doors during cool weather. When they are grown indoors high temperatures are not only unnecessary but undesirable, resulting in less perfect blossoms that last a shorter period.

Bulbs that may readily be grown indoors for the window garden or the conservatory are of three general classes. The more important early spring flowering or Dutch bulbsso-called because for generations they have been grown commercially in Holland, although none of them are natives of that country—such as Daffodils, Tulips, Hyacinths, and Crocus; the many fall, spring and early summer flowering bulbs, including the blue-flowered Grape-hyacinths and Scillas, and the white Snowdrops, Snowflakes and Glory-of-the-snow (Chionodoxa), all of which are inexpensive and should be used much more generally for house culture than they are; and some of the half-hardy and tender bulbs and roots like Paperwhite Narcissus, Amaryllis, Calla, and Tuberous Begonia.

There is not space in this article to discuss varieties, and the selection of these will depend largely upon personal preferences of color and form. I would like to stress, in passing, the desirability of providing several different types of the more important flowers such as Tulips and Daffodils, both for the sake of variety and for procuring as continuous a supply of flowers as possible. In Tulips, for instance, one should include some each from the Single Early, the May-flowering, and the Darwin classes

Among the Daffodils include some of the Barri and Poeticus types as well as the Trumpet sorts; while not so early to bloom, they are much more showy. Of Hyacinths, I personally much prefer the miniature or medium-sized bulbs, with their smaller bells and much more graceful spikes, to the giant but stiff stalked exhibition sizes and, incidentally, they cost considerably less.

If but a few bulbs are to be grown, the simplest way of procuring suitable soil is to purchase a quantity of pre-

pared "bulb fiber," such as is offered by leading seed houses. This, however, is merely a matter of convenience: absolutely as good results may be obtained from a compost that one may readily mix for himself.

The qualities which the soil for growing bulbs indoors should possess are quick and perfect drainage, a generous supply of humus to absorb and hold moisture and stimulate root growth, sufficient plant food to enable flowers to reach their maximum development, and enough "body" to hold the bulbs firmly in an upright position. Good garden loam, as free from weed seeds as may be obtained, or soil from the compost heap, mixed with an equal quantity of granulated peatmoss (or of commercial humus), with about ten per cent of sand added to prevent its packing even while it is quite wet-will produce a soil with just the physical qualities required.

Some varieties, such as Paper-white Narcissus, Hyacinths, the Chinese Sacred-lily, and a few others may be grown in pebbles and water, with no soil at all. If this is attempted a few pieces of charcoal should be added to help keep the water clean. Better and more certain results may be obtained, however, where soil is used, and the saving in labor is really very little.

The bulbs may be planted directly

in bulb bowls, or in shallow dishes or jardinières, or other ornamental containers. It is much more satisfactory to obtain a supply of pots and of earthenware bulb pans, which are similar to the flower pots but not so deep in proportion to their diameter. When the bulbs are about to bloom, these may be placed inside of ornamental containers of various sorts which will cover the flower pots or bulb pans and at the same time hold any surplus water draining from them. If they are somewhat larger than the pots or bulb pans, the intervening space may be filled with peatmoss. This will help materially in keeping the soil within the pots in an evenly moist condition, a very desira-able feature, especially where the rooms are heated with steam or hot air, and the atmosphere is consequently abnormally dry.

Planting may be done at any time during late October or November. The bulbs are better off in the soil than out of it, but otherwise late planting has no disadvantage excepting that one will have to wait longer for flowers to (continued on page 236)



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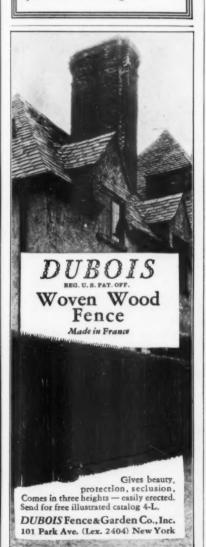
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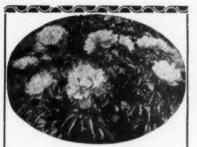
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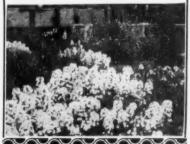
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and on top of this several inches of soil or leaves. Thus protected, they may be left out through the winter months and brought in as required, after a four to six weeks period for preliminary root development. An examination will show when they are ready to come in. The pot or pan should be filled with roots and the tops starting to sprout but with no leaves developed. A few things, such as Lily-ofthe-valley and Freesia, may be grown without this preliminary cold storage, but even these should be left for ten days to two weeks in a cool temperature and with only partial light, until growth begins.

After taking up the pots from the cold storage out of doors, clean them thoroughly and place in the cellar, or a cool room for a week or ten days until the tops begin to develop and turn green. Then place where they obtain sunshine for at least several hours a day, and gradually give more water, Do not keep the soil wet, but just moderately moist. But never let it dry out! After the buds begin to develop, a little (oh, very little) nitrate of soda in water, or other such fertilizer may be applied.

Planting roses in midwinter

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or rot under constant moisture if hilled up as plants should be for winter protection.

Another reason why fall planting should not be done until late is to avoid periods of warm weather-Indian Summer-that may induce newly planted Roses to sprout, only to be caught in a sappy and soft condition by a sudden downturn of the weather.

Several years ago when fall planting became in vogue we had many calls for October and November shipments. To satisfy myself of the advisability or impracticability of such an early planting, I planted an assort-ment of Roses in late October. They were in leaf in November, but only a few had survived when spring came.

I believe that the proper term for dormant Rose planting should be winter planting. The nearer to December 21, wherever possible, planting is done, the better it would be, at any rate not beginning before December first. Spring comes March 21, lasting until June 21, and even when plant-ing has to be done in the spring it should not be much later than March 21 and as much before as practical, which by the calendar still is winter. Therefore, to avoid any confusion let us say that dormant Roses must be planted in winter.

If planting cannot be done before April first at the latest (latitude of New York) potted plants only should be used; planting time being according to their stage of development, de livery being left to the discretion of the nurseryman. All nurserymen carry a complete assortment of potted Roses for those who prefer spring planting.

If plants are fully matured, winter planting can be successfully at-tempted in Zone 2 of the American Rose Society's territorial division: Colorado, Connecticut, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa (southern part), Kansas, Massachusetts, Missouri, Nebraska, Nevada, New Jersey, New York, Ohio, Ontario, Canada, Oregon, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, Washington. Of course, in each of these states there may be "pockets" where local conditions such as abnormal rainfall, high altitude, continuous high winds, etc., militate against early winter planting, but these are merely the exceptions confirming the rule. For Zone 3: Arkansas, Delaware, Kentucky, Maryland, Oklahoma, Tennessee, Virginia, and West Virginia, winter planting is mandatory. As to the southern states (Zone 4) to plant dormant Roses in the spring is murderous!

Contrary to the general belief, Roses will stand considerable cold, and even in sections where the thermometer goes near zero, winter planting is successful if some simple precautions are taken against evaporation caused by sun and wind.

My method is to prune the plants

back to about six inches from the ground and hill the plant with soil so that it is entirely covered, this covering remaining as winter protection.

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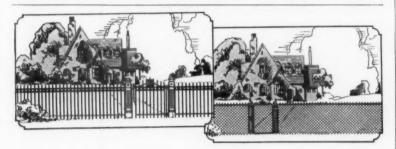
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